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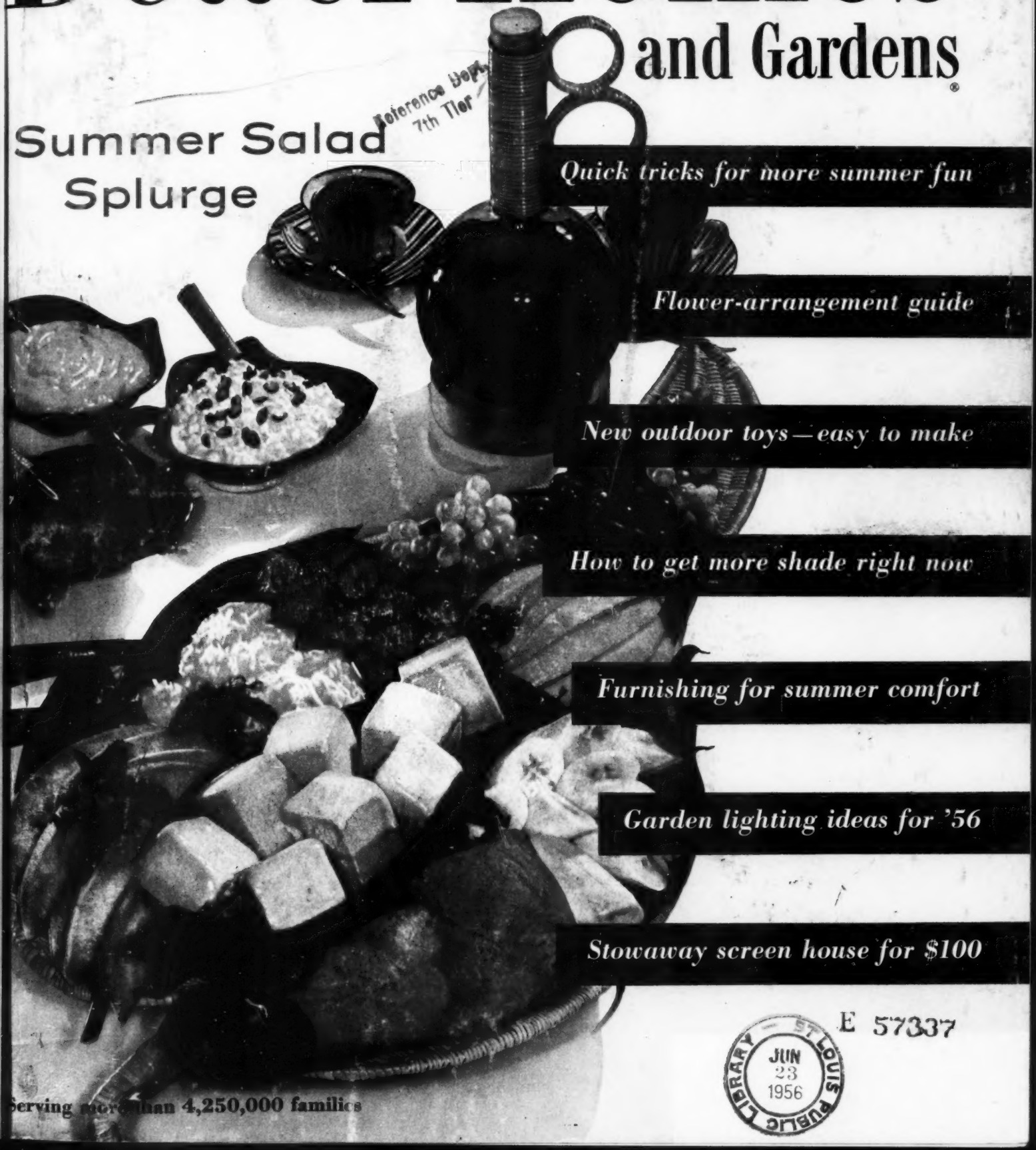

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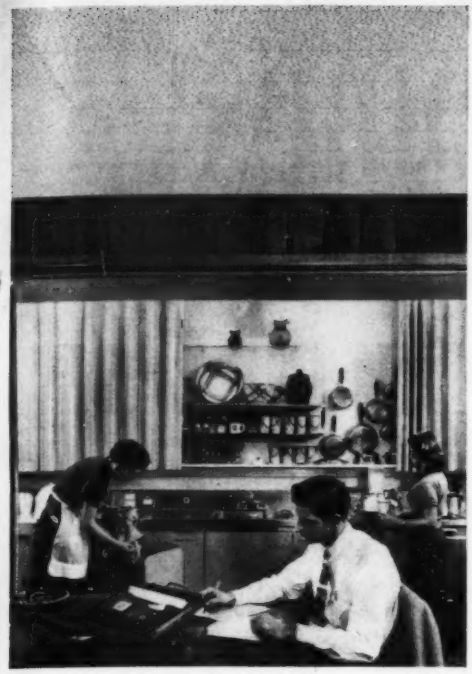

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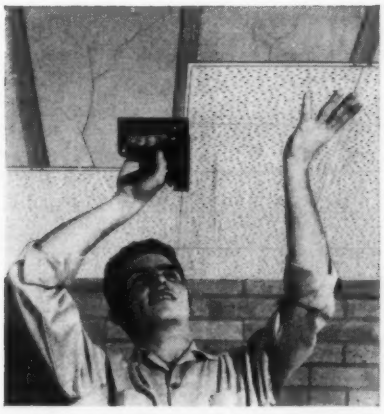

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# Contest

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## *Which divisions apply to your project?*

**1. Exteriors:** Any improvement from lot line to lot line that makes for a more attractive outside picture, a more useful house and yard. Among many examples: General improvement of house's appearance, such as done by painting, roofing, re-siding. Improvement of design by removal or redesign, say, trimming back and old-fashioned overhang to a more modern roof. Development of any detached structures like garage, garden-storage unit, workshop. Also garden architecture: a trellis, fence, or any improvement through use of plants, trees, shrubs. A pool or a play yard.

**2. Interiors:** All improvements within confines of existing house, except a kitchen or utility area. This includes improving beauty and practicality of rooms through new furnishings, decorating, papering, and painting. Examples: A dining room made into a family room; bedroom space from a formerly unfinished attic. Updating a bathroom, improving a window area. Putting basement to better use through redesigning, rearrangement—including heating, air conditioning, plumbing equipment. Smaller improvements like a new fireplace, or updating of an old one. Resurfacing a wall or floor.

**3. Additions:** Any new, enclosed space attached to your house. Examples: A bedroom added to the present house, added space for a bathroom, provision for a family room, a vestibule entry with extra storage, a covered porch, an attached greenhouse.

**4. Kitchen-Utility Areas:** This covers all kitchens and/or utility areas either remodeled from present space or added, or both. Examples: Better arrangement and updating of kitchen equipment. Increasing kitchen efficiency through better traffic, storage, and work areas. Adding eating space in kitchen. Relocation of utility area to more convenient spot. Your kitchen and utility area may be separate or combined. Repainting and redecorating count as much here as elsewhere.

Remember, you choose the division for your project. Then, after we receive your Final Entry Form, our judges will decide into which of four classes in each division it goes. These classes (A-B-C-D under each division) are based on the scope of the project itself. Thus, all entries compete only with others of equal scope. *A small, inexpensive improvement will have the same chance to win a prize as a large, costly project.*

You may enter more than one division. Example: If you make an addition to your present house for a kitchen, you might choose to enter your project in both "Additions" and "Kitchen-Utility" divisions. Sections of a larger project, taking in a whole house and lot might be entered in each of the four divisions. Separate Final Entry Forms must be used for *each* entry in cases such as this. Contest editor will supply extra Final Entry Forms on request.

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| | B | eight $100 winners | B $500 |
| | C | eight $100 winners | C $500 |
| | D | eight $100 winners | D $500 |
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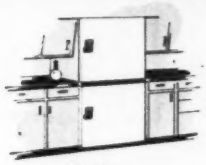

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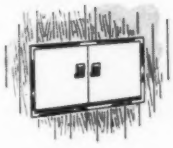

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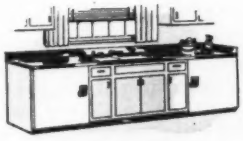

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# JULY GARDEN

## Central and East

**Shrubs and trees:** Watch out for Japanese beetles on roses, shrubs, and other plants in East and New England areas. Spray with lindane, malathion, or DDT to control. . . . Spread a 2-inch-deep mulch between rosebushes after feeding. Use ground corncobs, buckwheat hulls, wood chips, or similar materials available locally. Mulching helps plants through summer when there are local water restrictions.

**Annuals, perennials, and bulbs:** Inspect undersides of nasturtium leaves for black aphids. Direct spray containing malathion or nicotine sulfate underneath the leaves. . . . Continue to spray or dust gladiolus with DDT or malathion to control thrips and prevent the distortion they cause on the blooms. . . . Divide and transplant crowded iris clumps during the month.

**Lawns:** Adjust mower to cut grass at a height of 1½ to 2 inches during the hot summer months. . . . Keep after crabgrass in lawns by spraying with one of the chemicals available at garden-store centers for the purpose. . . . Feed petunias, zinnias, chrysanthemums, dahlias, and other annuals and perennials. Then water deeply to encourage deep rooting for better performance during hot weather. . . .

**Fruits:** Cultivate around strawberry plants to get rid of weeds, then mulch to protect shallow roots. Water when soil starts to dry during hot weather. . . . Cut off near the ground old canes in raspberry clumps and similar bramble fruits as soon as fruit is picked.

**Vegetables:** Side-dress beans and other vegetable crops with one pint of a complete plant food for each side of 50 feet of row. . . . Spray or dust vegetables with rotenone or methoxychlor. . . . Look for poison ivy and poison sumac growing around the property. Control it by spraying with 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T combination or with a compound containing ammonium sulfamate.

## South and Southeast

**Trees and shrubs:** Start new gardenias and oleanders from cuttings stuck in vermiculite or clean sand. Start new abelia, pittosporum, viburnums, and other shrubs by layering low side shoots. . . . Spray boxwood,

**Adjust mower** to cut grass half-inch higher during the hot summer months to reduce damage from heat

**Stake up** tall plants that may be toppled by wind. Tie cord securely to stake, loop loosely around stem

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azaleas, and other plants with malathion or other chemical designed to control redspider-mites. Direct spray to the undersides of the leaves where the mites work. . . . Check mulches around gardenias, azaleas, and camellias. Renew where necessary. . . . Dust or spray with sulfur or other fungicide to control mildew on crapemyrtles. . . . In Upper and Middle South, feed hybrid tea and floribunda roses.

**Annuals, perennials, bulbs:** Make a second sowing of marigolds, zinnias, and other annuals so you'll have plants ready for your fall border. . . . Feed chrysanthemums and see that they are well watered. Dust or spray to protect foliage for good flower production in the fall. . . . Check and water outdoor potted or boxed plants every day during hot weather. . . . Set out colchicum, lycoris, and other fall-flowering bulbs as soon as they're available. . . . Hurry to make the last planting of glad bulbs for fall bloom. . . . Keep up weekly spraying or dusting of glad foliage with malathion or DDT for thrip control. . . . In Lower South, dig tulips at once. Farther north, digging time can be later.

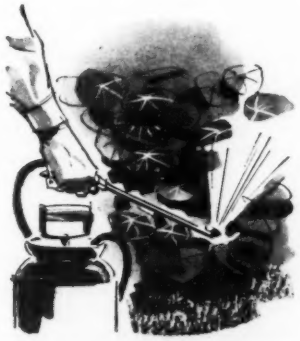
**Lawns:** Wait until early September to feed lawns again. Set mower at 2-inch cutting height for the hot months.

## Texas-Southwest

**Annuals, perennials, bulbs:** Shade ageratum, coleus, salvia, and other newly set plants 3 or 4 days to help them get established quickly. . . . Sow seeds of portulaca, sweet alyssum, zinnia, and other annuals for bloom this fall. . . . Shear off spent blooms and tips of alyssum, candytuft, verbena, and similar annuals to encourage renewed blooming. . . . Set tithonia plants where height and orange-red blooms are needed for the fall garden. . . . Inspect ties and supports of tall flowers to take care of sudden rains and winds. . . . Cut faded flower heads from hardy phlox to prevent self-sowing. Dig out any magenta-flowered phlox seedlings that appear around clumps of good varieties.

**Trees, shrubs:** Keep dogwoods watered while they are developing next year's flower buds. . . . Water young trees and shrubs well during hot, dry weather. In the Phoenix area, determine your needs for shade trees, and place orders for fall planting. Plan to order adapted trees such as fruitless mulberry, Arizona ash, and Chinese [ *Turn to next page*

**Protect** pot plants from drying out while you're on short vacation by covering pot with plastic sheet



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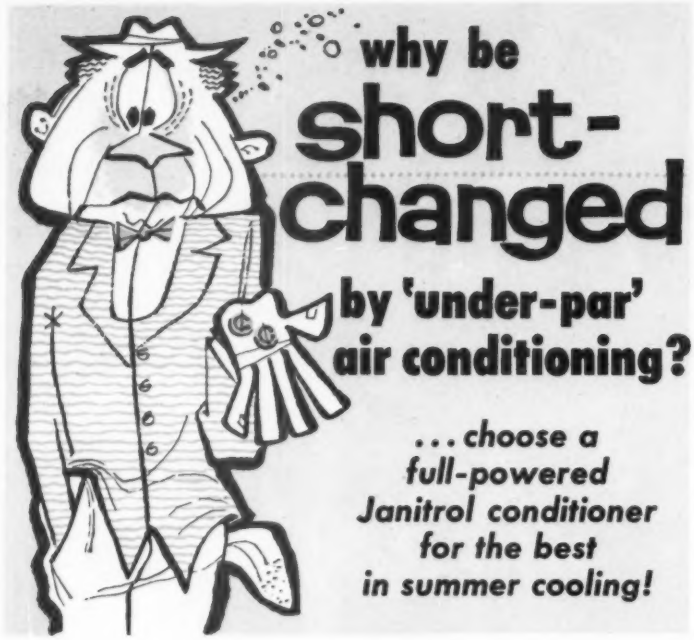


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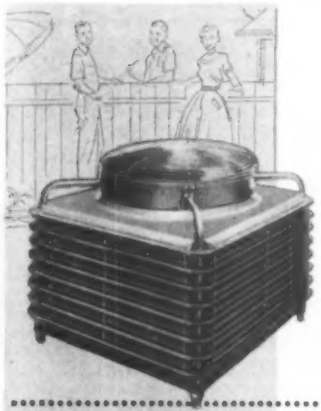

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# July garden reminders

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elm. . . . Spread a mulch around young plants so you don't have to water so often. . . . Look for lace bugs on your pyracantha and control them by spraying with lindane or malathion.

**Vegetables:** Plan to include beans, rutabagas, chard, squash, and okra in vegetable plantings late in month for fall vegetables. . . . Take cuttings from tomato plants, root in moist sand, then set out in garden for the fall garden.

## California

**Trees, shrubs, and vines:** Decide on locations around your home that need shade trees. Place orders for fall planting. . . . Feed and water bougainvillea, hibiscus, fuchsias, and other plants to lengthen their period of show. . . . Cut back strongest shoots on wisterias to check growth. This results in more short spurs from which blooms develop. . . . Select started roses in cans at the nursery and plant them out to give you abundant blooms this fall.

**Annuals, perennials, bulbs:** In the Sacramento and San Joaquin Valleys, keep humidity high around young annuals and perennials by spraying them with water. . . . Sow zinnias, marigolds, phlox, and cosmos for late bloom. . . . Stake tall, heavy-headed tuberous begonias, which have brittle stems. . . . Cut back and feed coreopsis and gaillardias after their first crop of flowers so they will give color into fall. . . . Water plants in containers outdoors regularly—most need water daily. Most leafy plants benefit when refreshed daily with a fine spray of water. . . . Sow early flowered varieties of sweetpea seed for fall and winter bloom. Sow snapdragons, calendulas, pansies, Iceland poppies, and other hardy annuals for winter and early spring bloom.

**Fruits and vegetables:** Buy several dwarf Meyer lemon plants for planting—they have attractive foliage and large juicy fruits. . . . In the southern California coastal area, plant tomatoes and other hot-weather vegetables.

## Pacific Northwest

**Trees and shrubs:** Reduce watering of established shrubs and trees during the month when most of the season's growth is done. This allows plants to harden and ripen so they withstand winter better. Exception—keep soil moist around newly set plants, and keep azaleas and rhododendrons moist while they're forming their flower buds this month. . . . Look for young water sprouts on trees that were heavily pruned. Rub them off as soon as they appear. . . . Check young lilacs, rhododendrons, tree peonies, and other bushes that tend to send up suckers. Remove them as soon as detected. . . . Keep at the necessary summer pruning of espaliered fruit trees. . . . Make greenwood cuttings of your favorite broadleaf evergreens and deciduous shrubs to expand your basic plantings, or to help replace any plants lost. . . . Clean up scale insects on shrubs and trees by spraying with a summer oil or malathion.

**Annuals, perennials, bulbs:** Take cuttings of garden pinks and root for additional plants. Divide and transplant the larger clumps. . . . Divide and transplant old clumps of primroses and iris during the month. Order new iris varieties to improve your color selection. . . . Dust soil with a 6-percent chlordane dust if troubled with weevils or other soil insects. . . . Feed, water, and pinch off about 3 inches of the tips from chrysanthemums, and hardy asters.

**Vegetables:** Set out pepper, eggplant, celery, and cauliflower plants. They'll mature before the arrival of killing frost. . . . Sow seed of beets, carrots, bush beans, and rutabagas early in the month for fall vegetables.

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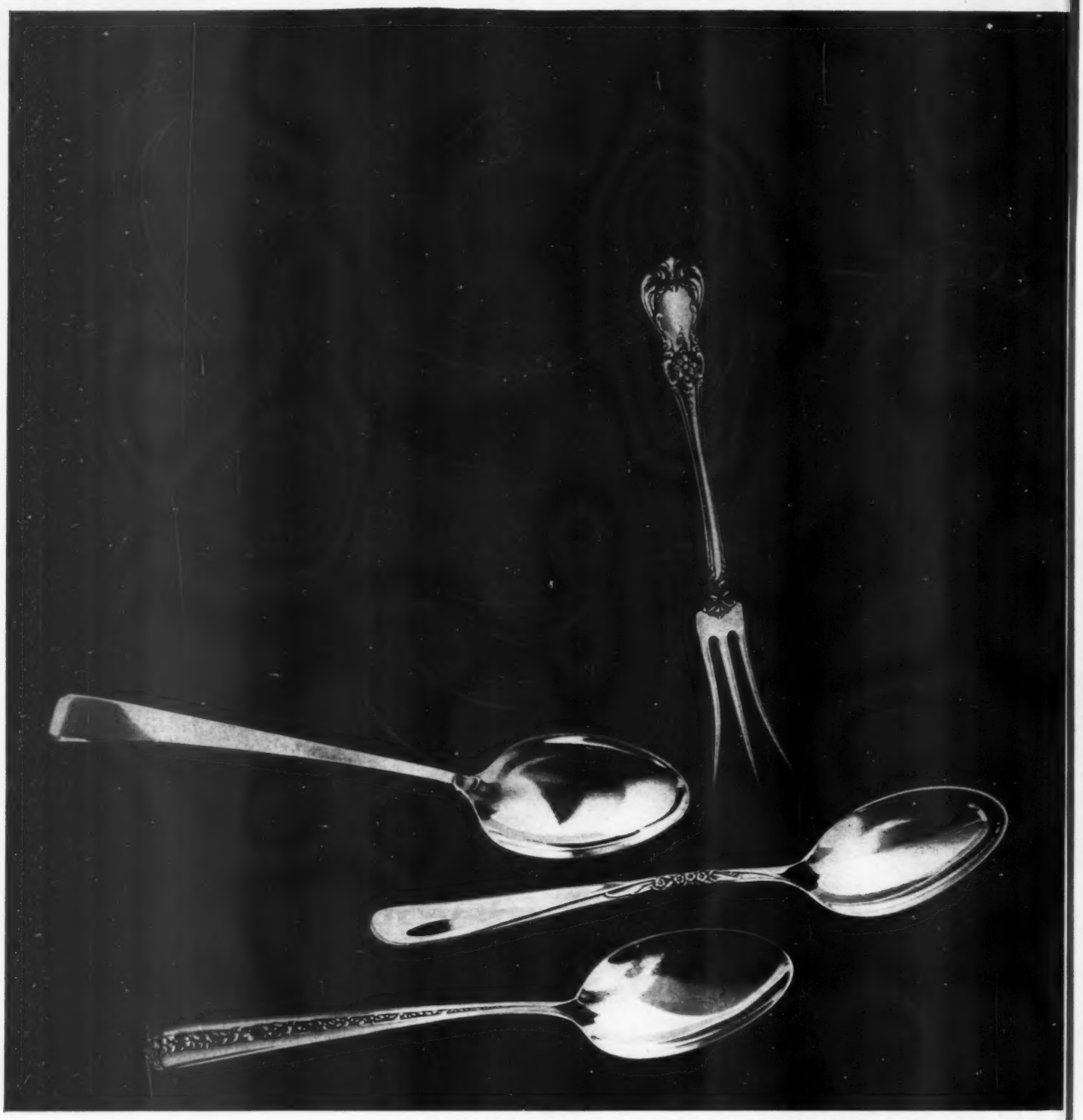

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Photographs: Hopkins

A typical Eighteenth Century covered fruit bowl is often used for flowers; the black pottery urn for a full Flemish bouquet of roses, poppies, and birds' nests. Use the bowl with handles for a fern or large quota of blooms.

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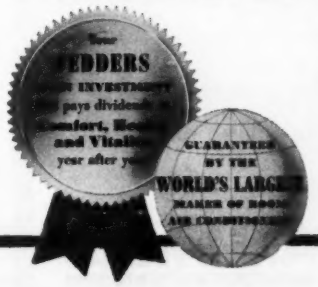


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Iris are so vigorous their roots grow thick and matted, and plants in each clump begin to compete with each other for food and water. When this happens, the flowers get smaller.

To cure, divide and transplant as shown here. You will not only get healthier clumps but extra plants.

# How to divide and transplant iris

Photographs: Stanley

***Dig up old clumps,*** and shake off soil. Circle clump with spade before prying up. Roots extend out about 6 inches, but don't go deep. Clumps usually come up intact due to intermingling of roots. Dividing clump is a hand job that can be done on the site or in the shade

***Trim up new divisions.*** Cut back leaf "fans" to about 6 or 8 inches. Then trim off decayed or corky ends of rhizomes — the thick underground stems. Divide each section into smaller ones with one or two growing points each. Any rot? Trim it off and dust cuts with gypsum

***Plant divisions on a "saddle."*** Spade up soil where you want new iris clumps, mixing in plant food and compost. Set rhizomes on a ridge or saddle, with roots dropping down sides, then pull in soil to cover. Choose a spot in full sun. Point the fans away from center of clump

***Water new clumps after planting*** to settle soil about roots, and a time or two again in next 2 weeks. Iris will need little extra water thereafter. Too much water will often cause the iris rhizomes to rot, particularly if the area isn't well drained or if it doesn't get full sun

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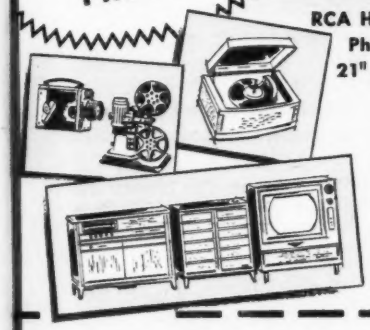

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***By Dr. R. Milton Carleton***

### Don't scratch—spray!

With the chigger season at its height, here's good news. Scientists at the U.S.D.A. Experiment Station, Beltsville, Maryland, say these pests can be controlled with any of several standard insecticides.

To prepare an effective spray, mix 2 ounces of 25-percent wettable lindane or chlordane with a couple of gallons of water—enough to distribute the chemicals evenly over a thousand square feet of lawn area. These sprays will keep chiggers from the area for up to 6 weeks. To be safe, keep children and pets off the grass until the spray has dried thoroughly.

### Foliar feed best after rain?

Recent experiments at Michigan State University suggest that foliar feeding might be most beneficial after heavy rains.

Foliar feeding works because plants can absorb nutrient elements directly through their leaves, as well as up through the roots.

But the process works both ways. Heavy rains will leach food elements out of plant leaves. Potash and phosphorus, in particular, are likely to be lost to prolonged rainfall. For this reason, foliar feeding immediately after a rain could help plants quickly overcome the loss by leaching.

### Carrot storage questioned

Carrots wouldn't be stored in refrigerators if Cornell University scientists did the storing.

In their tests, refrigerated carrots developed unpleasant flavors, described as "hot," "bitter," "quininelike," and "soapy." Carrots held without cold storage had superior flavor and kept their orange coloring better.

Unknown: why the carrots develop off-flavors at low temperatures. Not all of the cold-storage carrots develop the odd flavors. Additional studies are being made to see if the cause can be determined.

### Renew strawberries after fruiting

It's perfectly all right to remake a strawberry bed after it has fruited, say specialists at the Virginia Truck Experiment Station, Norfolk.

There, they dug plants after fruiting, dipped the roots in mud paste, reset the plants in a new bed, and kept them watered until they were re-established. Only dead leaves were removed from the old plants.

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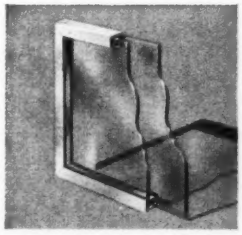

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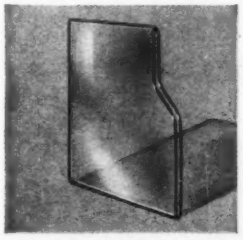

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# The dining room's now a family room

Door-benches are 6½ feet long, 30½ inches wide, are covered on top and sides with a plastic-composition material. Six 8-inch sections of brushed brass tubing are attached as decorative legs.

Foam-rubber pads and backs make for comfortable seating, are zippered for easier cleaning.

The free-form rug defines this compact conversation grouping. Note the interesting use of the perforated hardboard. One pull-down lamp is even attached.

Top pads on sofas are covered with nylon in a contrasting pattern. To keep them from slipping, a thin sheet of rough rubber was placed between the nylon-covered top pad and bottom cushion

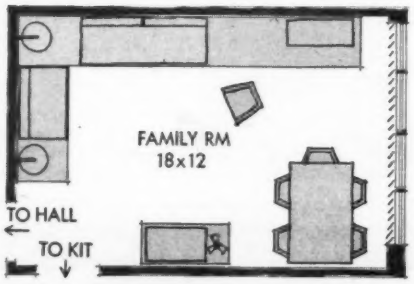
Photographs: Van Nes. Decorator: The Lehmans, A.I.D.

All of the dining-room furniture was pushed back to window end of room to make way for the conversation grouping. The table can be pulled out when a large group is entertained. Adjustable vertical blinds (in two colors) give simple but effective window treatment. They can be turned to regulate the light—or pulled back completely for more ventilation or to let in the sun

***By Mary L. Ritter***

If it's more living space you need, take a long look at your dining room. That's what happened at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Melvin Stone, New York. The result: an all-purpose family room much more useful than the dining room it once was.

The two sofa bases and the long benches (one for the television set, one for storage piece) are made of doors. By rearranging the dining-room furniture and adding these clever seating and base pieces, the Stones have a room ready for practically any type of family fun or entertaining.




Comfortable dining chairs can be pulled into the conversation area when extra seating is needed for visitors.

Even with all the activities assigned this 12x18 room, the against-the-wall furniture arrangement keeps it uncrowded; gives spacious appearance.

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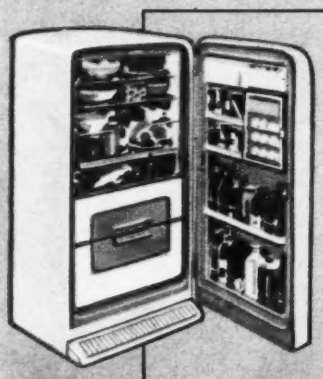

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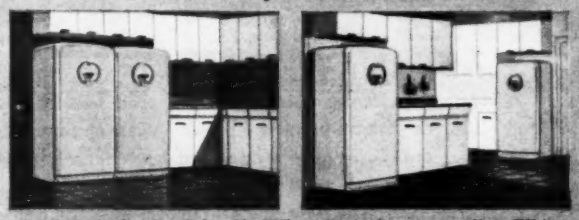

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# The dining room's now a family room

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Swedish canister set is placed on hardboard to keep nuts, potato chips, candy, and cigarettes ready and fresh. The individual drawers are attractive enough to use as serving dishes. The other shelves make a good parking spot for books the family is currently reading

Old television set is now housed in a blonde wood cabinet that blends with the dining-room furniture. Sliding door hides storage for trays, silver, and linen. Note how all furniture is off the floor, making cleaning easier. Even the floor lamp has been placed on the bench

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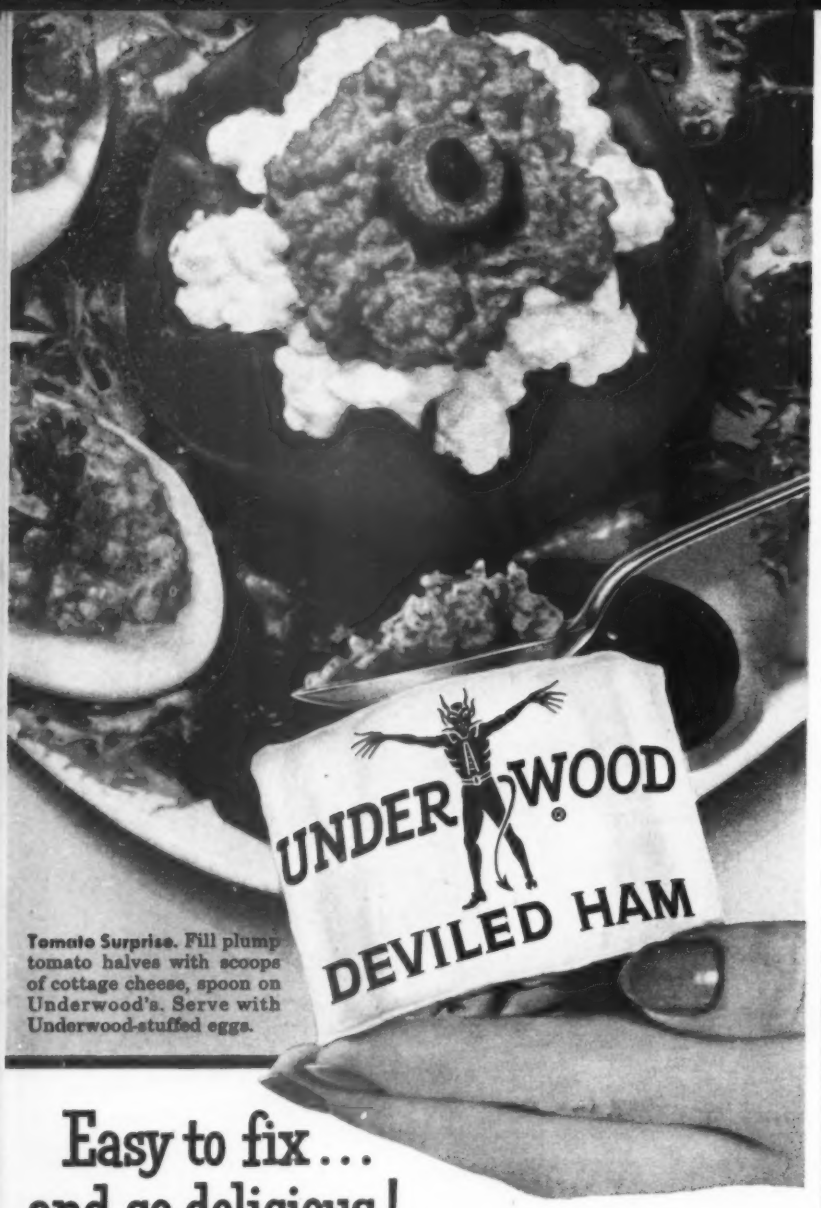


**Tomato Surprise.** Fill plump tomato halves with scoops of cottage cheese, spoon on Underwood's. Serve with Underwood-stuffed eggs.

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Hot day? Then it's time for a crisp salad and a hearty sandwich made with Underwood Deviled Ham. The flavor is unmatched by any other deviled ham because tangy Underwood's is always made from *whole hams*, with nothing added but fine, natural spices. No wonder Underwood's tastes so good!

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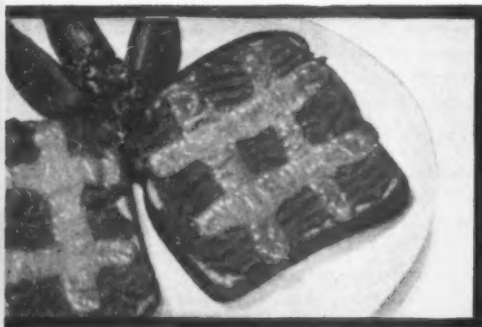

**Scotch-Plaid Snacks.** Quick 'n thrifty! Spread Underwood's lavishly on toast, top with cheese strips, and broil. Or take 'em along for picnics, cook-outs!

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Creole-style corn is the latest addition to the canned-foods shelf. It's tender whole kernel corn in a tomato sauce flavored with onion, and green and red peppers. Wonderful to serve as a vegetable, and you'll like to use it in quick casseroles with meat, seafoods, cheese. Delicious in chowders and soups, too. Packed in 14-ounce cans.

Canned chili con carne with beans is now offered in a choice of seasonings—hot for those who like it extra spicy, and mild for those who prefer a blander flavor. There are 2 servings in each 1-pound can.

Egg yolks and bacon for babies brings a new flavor treat to our youngest set. The bacon is first fried and the fat removed, then finely ground for easy digestion. Each jar of this strained baby food contains approximately 2½ egg yolks and 1½ slices of bacon.

### *Breads*

Caramel-nut refrigerated rolls. You can now have rich, gooey rolls in just the time it takes to bake them. The 11-ounce package contains 8 ready-for-the-oven rolls, and the caramel-nut topping in a plastic bag. Bake them individually in muffin pans or all together in an 8-inch round pan.

Pancake and waffle batter comes to you all ready to pour from the can onto hot griddle or skillet! Batter contains buttermilk and eggs. Can be kept one week in the refrigerator, much longer in the freezer. Each 22-ounce can will give you up to 20 four-inch cakes.

### *Cakes*

Instant apple-chip cake mix is an exciting addition to your cake-mix line-up. The cake is fresh-apple flavored, delicately spiced, light, and moist. Frost it or serve warm with your favorite sauce or whipped cream. The 1-pound 3-ounce package will make two 8- or 9-inch layers, a 9-inch square, large sheet cake, or 20 medium cupcakes.

Pound cakes in cans have been introduced in three varieties: golden, raisin, and marble. Ready to open and eat, they are good plain, or serve toasted slices with a cup of hot tea. May also be dressed up with ice cream, sauce, fruit, or whipped cream for delicious desserts. Packed in 12-ounce cans.

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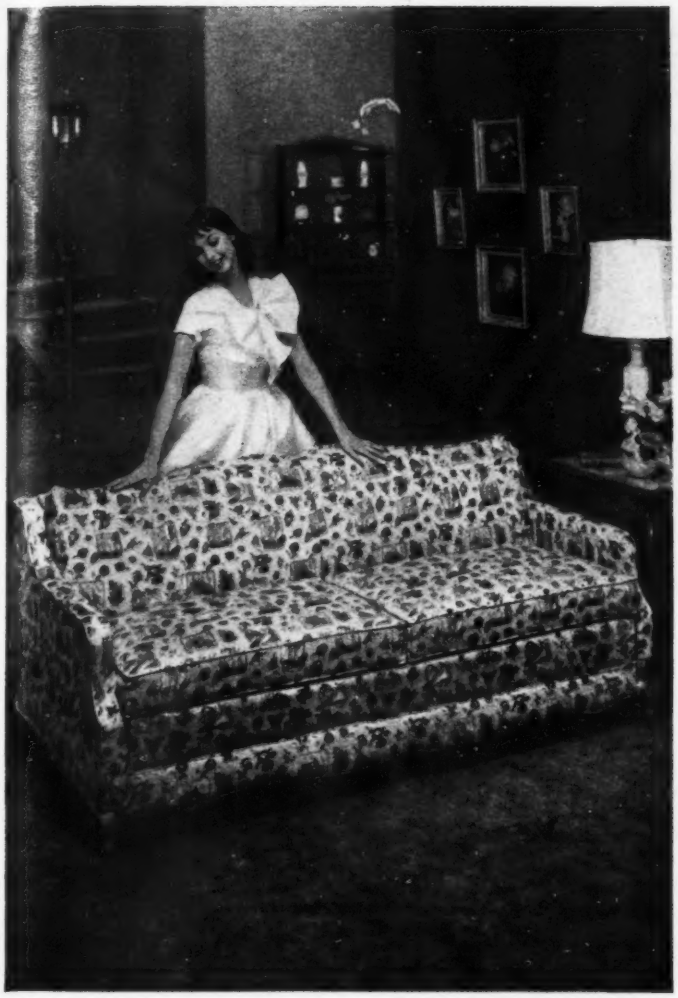

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# Summer care of your family's skin

***Sunburn, insect bites, plant poisoning, prickly heat are some of the skin irritations hot weather brings. Here are tips to prevent them or ease them.***

***By Ann Usher***

All the outdoor activities we pack into warm-weather months should make us look and feel especially well.

But, sometimes, poor judgment or plain bad luck results in skin disturbances which affect our appearance or comfort.

Here's how to avoid the preventable skin disorders. Also, how to soothe them (even those conditions over which we have little control).

### Sunburn

*To prevent*, apply thoroughly to all exposed skin one of the many good lotions that screen out the burning rays of the sun. Reapply after a swim or at regular intervals if in and out of the water.

Limit your sunbathing for the first few times to 15 or 20 minutes each day. Shorten time for babies and young children. Then cover up with shirt and slacks.

Remember that covering only the shoulders and arms (with a towel, for example) still leaves the equally vulnerable legs exposed to the sun.

Gradually increase sunbaths to half an hour, then one hour.

In July and August, avoid exposure at high noon and the hours just before and after it, when the sun's rays are strongest.

Use precautions on cloudy days, too. The sun's rays filtering through the clouds can cause painful burns.

Be especially careful in and around water. Remember, the sun's effects are intensified by reflection.

Fair-skinned people, though they may freckle, do not build up sufficient pigment in their skin to protect them from burning, even after prolonged exposure to the sun. They must always take precautions when out in the sun.

Children with such skin should be encouraged to play in the shade. Since the beneficial ultraviolet rays of the sun permeate the atmosphere on sunny days, the youngsters will receive their benefits even when shaded from direct sunlight.

*Treatment of sunburn* consists mainly of relieving the discomfort. Where the burn is really severe and the sufferer has chills and fever or appears ill, a doctor should be called.

Applications of vinegar, ice-cold mineral oil, wet packs of boric acid, petroleum jelly ointment containing menthol, a thick paste of baking soda, cold cream, olive oil, cocoa butter, dressings wet in Epsom salts solution, calamine [ *Turn to page 33*

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# Summer care of your family's skin

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lotion, or ointments sold especially for the purpose are all helpful in relieving the pain of a sunburn.

The patient should be in a cool place and, since sunburn causes the sweat glands to swell (reducing perspiration), he should be given plenty of fluids and fruit juices. His clothing should be loose and lightweight to avoid painful pressure on sore or blistered skin.

### Prickly heat

This skin disorder is caused by inflamed sweat glands, usually the result of excessive perspiration. Small, red, pinpoint rash develops, generally about the neck, chest, and in folds of skin.

Prickly heat itches, burns, stings. If you scratch it, little pustules may form. These are unsightly and prolong the irritation.

*Prevention.* Rapid evaporation of perspiration should be encouraged by wearing loose, lightweight clothing of porous, absorbent material —such as cotton. Babies and little children who are prone to prickly heat should be dressed only in panty and diaper during very hot weather. They should be kept in a cool room or out in the fresh air as much as possible.

Frequent starch baths without soap (one cup of starch dissolved in the bath water) help prevent prickly heat. Don't rub off the powdery film of starch remaining on the skin. Also, dust the susceptible parts of the body with cornstarch or baby powder.

*Treatment.* Sponge prickly areas with cotton soaked in baking-soda solution (one teaspoon to a cup of water). During the day, dust with borated talcum containing 5 percent camphor. At night, apply calamine lotion containing 1 percent phenol.

### Insect bites

*Prevention.* Before going into localities where mosquitoes, ticks, or chiggers are prevalent, apply one of the insect repellents marketed for use on arms, legs, and body areas where clothing is tight—waist, sock tops, and so forth. The effective ingredient in these sprays is usually a substance referred to as rotenone.

Sulfur powder patted around ankles and waist will also repel chiggers. These are the spots where the chigger mites are most likely to bury themselves.

On your own lawn, or in an area where you are going to remain for a while, spraying the grass and foliage with one of the commercial mosquito-repelling solutions will usually provide protection from these pests for several hours at a time.

*Treatment.* To relieve the discomfort of mosquito, chigger, or fly bites, apply weak ammonia water, a paste of baking soda and water, or calamine lotion. Cold-water compresses also will relieve itching and irritation.

Because the tick can be the carrier of several diseases, its bite is more serious. If you live in an area where ticks are numerous, ask your doctor about vaccination against spotted fever. There is less danger of infection or disease if the tick, which imbeds itself in the skin, is removed at once.

Using tweezers, be careful to remove the whole tick, without crushing it. If the "head" of the tick remains under the skin, press the skin around it with your fingers to expel it. Don't crush the tick with your bare fingers.

A hot needle or lighted cigarette held close to the site of a tick bite may cause the tick to withdraw from the skin. Or a dab of alcohol or kerosene on the spot may make it easier to remove the head of the tick.

After removing the tick, relieve itching with applications of cold water, alcohol, baking-soda paste, or calamine lotion.

Ticks may imbed themselves in the scalp or in the neck at the base of the hair. These areas should be inspected carefully if you have been in a tick-infested area.

If bitten by a bee, wasp, or hornet, remove the insect's stinger by pressing the surrounding area. Do not attempt to pull it out between thumb and forefinger, as this forces the venom in the stinger down into the bite.

Relieve itching with a paste of wet baking soda, moistened with ammonia water. The application should be kept moist. Cold compresses reduce swelling and pain.

With the exception of the black widow spider, a spider bite can be treated in the same manner. If you suspect a black widow spider from the swelling around the bite or because the victim appears ill, apply a tourniquet above the bite, loosen-

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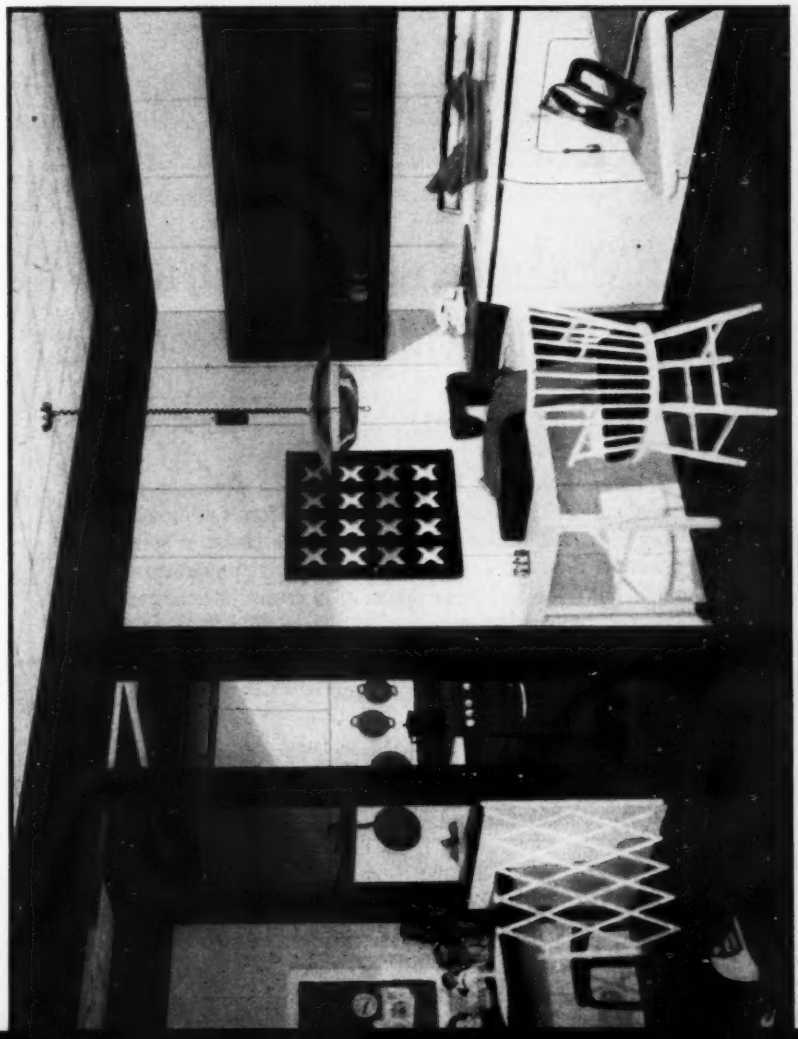

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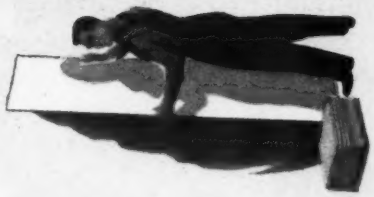

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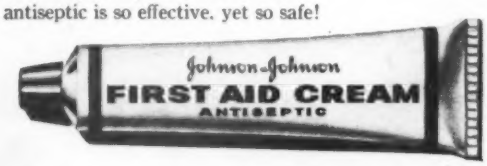


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# Summer care of your family's skin

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ing it every 15 minutes. Wash the bite with soap and water or potassium permanganate solution, and seek medical aid at once. The bite of a black widow can cause severe illness.

### Chafing

When damp skin is subjected to constant rubbing, either against another area of skin or a tight band of clothing, raw, reddened, irritated patches may develop. This occurs most often in the natural folds of the body or in the creases of flesh of an overweight person.

*Prevention.* When there is a tendency to chafe, dust the areas with cornstarch or talcum powder after bathing, or apply zinc-oxide ointment or one of the new silicone ointments. And wear cool, porous clothing to speed the evaporation of perspiration.

*Treatment.* Starch baths without soap, followed by dusting with cornstarch or talcum or application of zinc or silicone ointment. Pads of dry absorbent cotton taped in place over the points of irritation will prevent further rubbing and allow healing.

### Poisoning from plants

Individuals sensitive to certain plants, such as poison ivy, poison oak, or sumac, may develop a severe skin eruption from contact with their oils.

*Prevention.* The best protection against plant poisoning is to learn to recognize the plants and keep away from them.

Poison ivy grows as a trailing vine or a low shrub. It has shiny green leaves, divided into three leaflets, with grayish-white berries in season.

Poison oak grows as a vine or bush. Its leaves are divided into three leaflets.

Poison sumac has a compound leaf of 7 to 13 leaflets and pale, waxy berries in season.

The new silicone preparations, rubbed on the exposed parts of the body before going where these plants may be growing, are said to give protection against their poisonous oils.

Previous exposure to poison ivy, oak, or sumac does not ensure that you will not be affected by them in the future. Persons who are sensitive to the plants and who are likely to be exposed can be given special injections which may help.

*Treatment.* Immediately after exposure to one of these plants, lather and rinse the exposed skin several times with soap and water. Don't scrub. Dry gently and sponge on rubbing alcohol.

If a rash appears, repeat this procedure. Apply calamine lotion to relieve itching.

If the eruption is severe, a doctor should be consulted. The clothing worn around the poisonous plants should be dry-cleaned or washed.

### Diaper rash

The bacteria that causes diaper rash works quickly in summer on wet diapers if they have not been sterilized.

*Prevention.* The baby should not be allowed to remain in wet diapers. Clean the buttocks with baby oil when changing diapers and apply oil to the area after bathing. Diapers should be boiled several times a week, rinsed through several changes of clear, hot water, with a diaper-rash preventive added to the last rinse water.

*Treatment.* Change the diapers promptly and boil them for 10 minutes each time they are washed, rinsing and adding preventive as described above. Apply zinc ointment to the rash. With the baby lying on an open diaper over a waterproof pad, expose buttocks to the air frequently during the day.

Most of these skin disturbances common to summertime are easily recognized and the mild cases respond to the home treatment suggested here. Severe, persistent, or puzzling conditions should have a doctor's attention.

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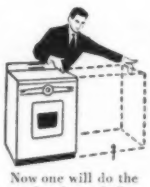

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**Painting drawer pulls** is easy; what to do with them while the paint is drying is the big problem. Here's one way to solve it:

Run the screws that hold the pulls on up through the bottom of a cardboard box.

Then attach the pulls to the screws, as shown. Paint the pulls, let the paint dry, and remove the screws.

*O. Sundermeyer*
*Welcome, Minnesota*

**Sand curved surfaces** better with a sanding block made from a medium-size (or smaller) plastic sponge like those used in the kitchen.

Flexibility of the sponge conforms to the surfaces you are sanding . . . distributes the pressure evenly on both the sandpaper and the stock.

*E. Stock*
*St. Louis, Missouri*

**Inexpensive cleaner** for removing paint and grease from your hands and arms is lightweight oil and sawdust.

First, apply the oil to your hands. Then, when it has loosened the paint or grease, "wash" your hands thoroughly in sawdust. Finish clean-up with soap and water.

*R. Strang*
*New Bethlehem, Pennsylvania*

Photographs: Stanley

**Cutting insulation** blankets to size—without tearing or damaging moisture-vapor-barrier covering—is a quick job for your hedge shears.

Cutoff line penciled on the covering adds accuracy.

For best results, be sure bolt that holds the blades together (arrow) is tight. Otherwise, shears may produce a ragged, uneven edge.

*T. Pollari*
*Robinson, Kansas*

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*W. Adams*
*Denver, Colorado*

**Accurate cuts** with a miter gauge on a power saw are sometimes difficult to do because the stock slips and crawls as it's pushed through the whirling saw blade.

To prevent this, try grooving face of your miter gauge with scratch awl. Tiny lines give surface "roughness" you need to hold the stock in the right position.

*Ed Porter*
*Rochester, New York*

**C-clamping thin veneer** that has splintered or slivered at corners or along edges of plywood stock is always hard to do when your clamps are too large to work properly.

Next time, try using several pieces of plastic tape to hold the break in position while the glue sets. When glue dries, strip off the tape.

*S. Clark*
*East Bradenton, Florida*

**Square cuts** on copper tubing are easy if you let the compression nut guide your hacksaw along cutoff line.

Clamp tubing in vise with small end of nut against one end of vise jaws. Align edge of large end with mark on tubing. Another way:

Clamp tubing in flaring block and use edge as guide.

*B. Stewart*
*Winder, Georgia*

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*Stowaway*, $149.00, for size 6x3x 4 feet. Orchard Bros., Inc., Rutherford, N. J.

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*Minno-Pool*, $4.95, ppd. from mfr. Angler Products Co., 1203 Ford Rd., Cleveland 24, Ohio.

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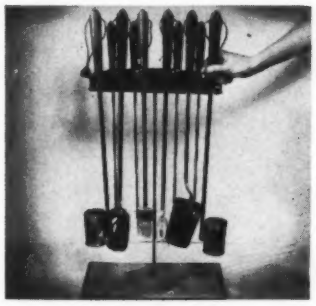
*Stacking Chair*, $17.95, in stores. Troy Sunshade Co., Troy, Ohio.



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*Duncan Hines Barbecue Tools*, six sets available, in combinations ranging from $5.95 to $24.95, in stores. Williams Cutlery, Inc., Seaman, Ohio.

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*Sun-Dodger*, $60, in stores. The Goshen Mfg. Co., Inc., Goshen, Ind.

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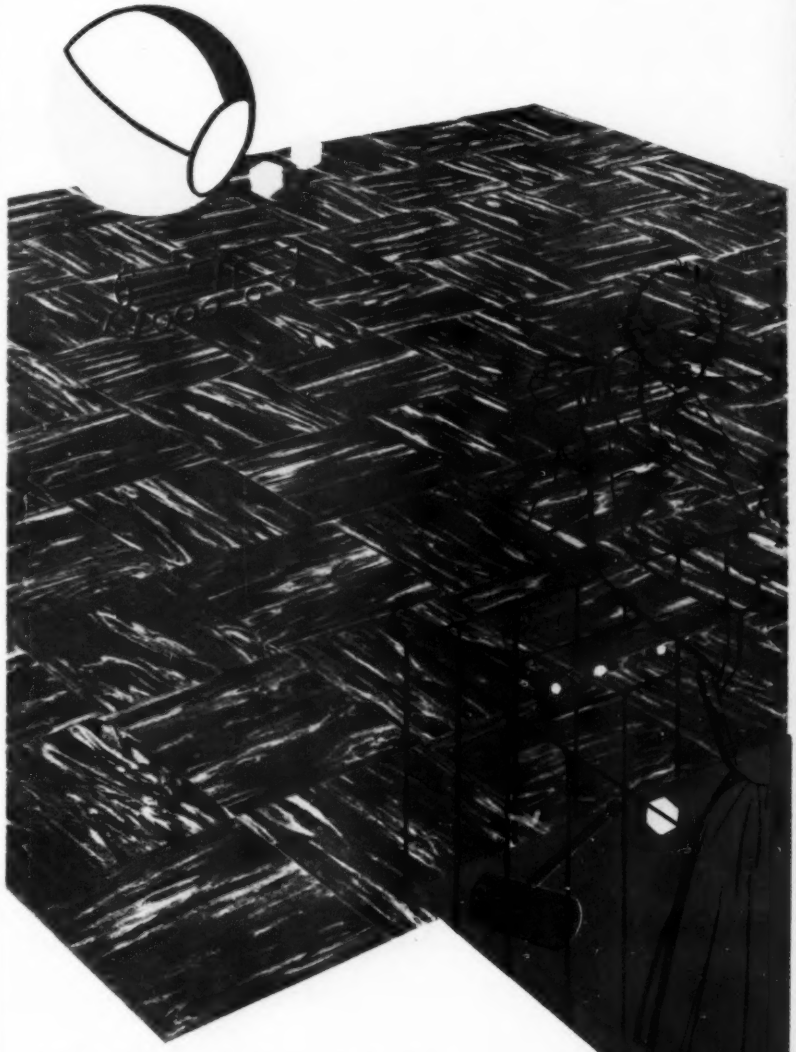

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*Ice Jet*, $16.95, in stores. Waring Products Corp., 25 W. 43rd St., New York, N. Y.

**De luxe fishing boat** is designed for those who take their fishing seriously. Called the "Pelican," it's built with size, weight, and comfort in mind. Measuring 14 feet long, the boat has a 52-inch beam, 44-inch transom width, 22-inch bow depth, and three aluminum seats with styrofoam floats. Built-in boxes for live bait are a special feature. Boat weighs just 140 pounds, takes motors from 1 to 15 horsepower. Two-tone green.

*Pelican*, $250, in stores. Starcraft Boat Co., Goshen, Ind.

**For seating or eating.** A real switch-about, this piece of furniture acts as both lawn bench and picnic table. Bench converts to table by tilting the back into a horizontal position, and a pair of them form a really large eating area that will seat eight people.

*Converto Bench*, $12.00 (do-it-yourself kit), $23.50 (completely assembled—6 ft.), $26.50 (completely assembled—8 ft.), in stores. Litteral Mfg. Co., 1701 N. 16th St., Quincy, Ill.

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*Covered Wagon Grill*, $99.50 ppd. from mfr. George Henry Co., Morton Grove, Ill.

**New ceiling lamp** is adjustable to any height, comes with 25 feet of wiring, so that it can be plugged into the most convenient baseboard outlet. Once the light has been located in the room, cord is fastened close to a beam or run down a corner so it won't show.

*Bubble Light*, $13.95, in stores. Lightolier, Jersey City, N. J.

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*Sterling Spoon*, $3.25, ppd. from mfr. The Stieff Co., Baltimore 11, Md.

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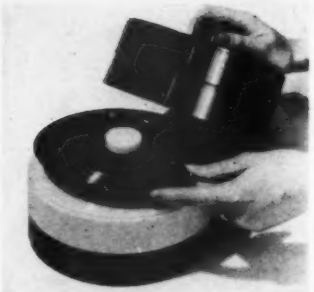
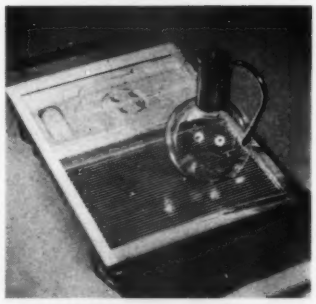


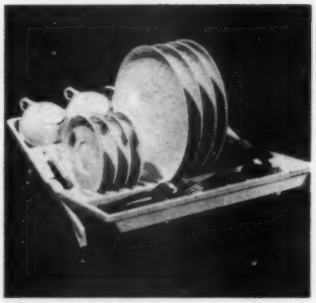
**Unique record "album."** New storage case for 45-rpm records holds 42 records in units of 14 selections (the same number carried by a phonograph changer). Units nest one on top of the other. Simulating a stack of records, case comes in solid or mixed combinations of black, red, blue, and yellow.

*Record Nest*, $3.95, ppd. from mfr. Record Nest Mfg. Co., Dept. P, 3127 Doyne Road, Pasadena, Calif.



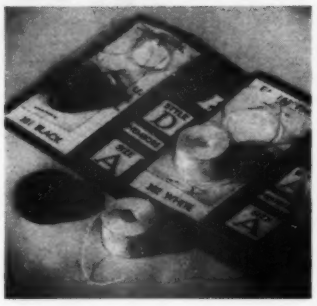
**Party serving tray** has a radiant-heat glass panel side by side with maple well and tree carving board. Special spring hinge reverses the carving board, and you have a colorful ceramic tile, plus maple serving space for hors d'oeuvres, canapes, sandwiches, or cakes.

*Dinner Magic Tray*, $24.95, in stores. Jaxton Mfg. Corp., Glens Falls, N.Y.



**Folding dish drainer** collapses and can be stored away when dishes are dry. Maybe you're one who likes to remove all evidence of clean-up chores between meals; then this is for you. Although it folds flat for storage, drainer offers plenty of room for cups, plates, silver, and glasses. Red, yellow, white, pink, or turquoise.

*Folding Dish Drainer* is $2.98, in stores. Manufactured by Reliance Products Sales Corp., Mason St., Woonsocket, R. I.



**Ready-wound bobbins** are new. Packed two to a card, they're all ready to be placed in the bobbin case of a sewing machine, without time or thread waste in rewinding. Colors are black or white, and two package styles are available to fit most machines that take round bobbins. Thread used is nylon.

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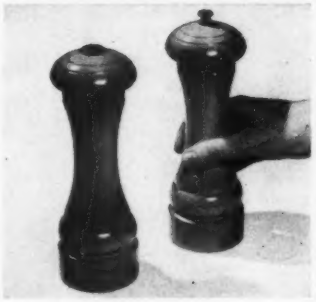
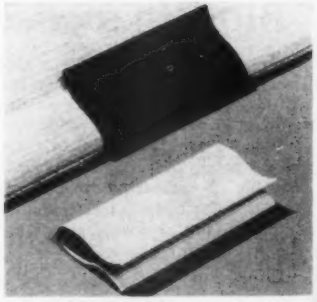


**If you've been smitten,** as many have, by the looks and practicality of flame-colored cast-iron cookware, you'll want to round out your set with this bright salt and pepper pair. They're wood, colored to match the glamorous pots and pans —even to the delicate shadings of hue. These helpers are giants, too —8 inches tall. Pepper mill is fitted with a fine Sheffield steel grinder.

*Flame-Colored Pepper Mill Set*, $9.95 ppd. from mfr. Verity Southall, Ltd., 2251 Lincoln Ave., Altadena, Calif.



**Trim new window-shade clip** takes the place of the old dangling tassel, or ring-pull. Clip is high-impact plastic, fits neatly over the hem and slat in the center of the shade; serrated jaws hold it firmly. Soft, fashion-right colors can match your color scheme: white, natural, pink, soft green, and yellow.

*Window Shade Clip*, two for 25c, in stores. Breneman-Hartshorn, Inc., Cincinnati 2, Ohio.

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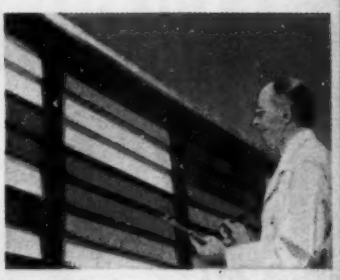

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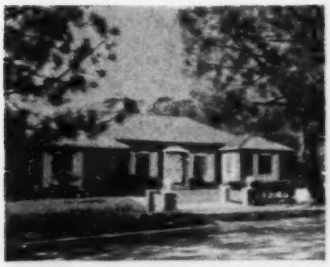

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# More fun this summer

THE SEASON belongs to the sun—with cool outings to your own yard and far places, living more and doing more at a pace restful and refreshing. If you like your ideas vivid, the picture here needs few words: Family takes old back-yard building, converts it to shelterhouse, surrounds it with a terrace, and now *has* what this summer issue is all about!

Photograph: Hedrich-Blessing. Owner: Dale Grace, Terrace Park, Ohio.

MORE FUN THIS SUMMER

# Shade—how to have it now!

***Luxury in summer living is tied in with shade. Because with shade when you want it, you can live outside—cool, comfortable, relaxed***

***By Fleeta Brownell Woodroffe***

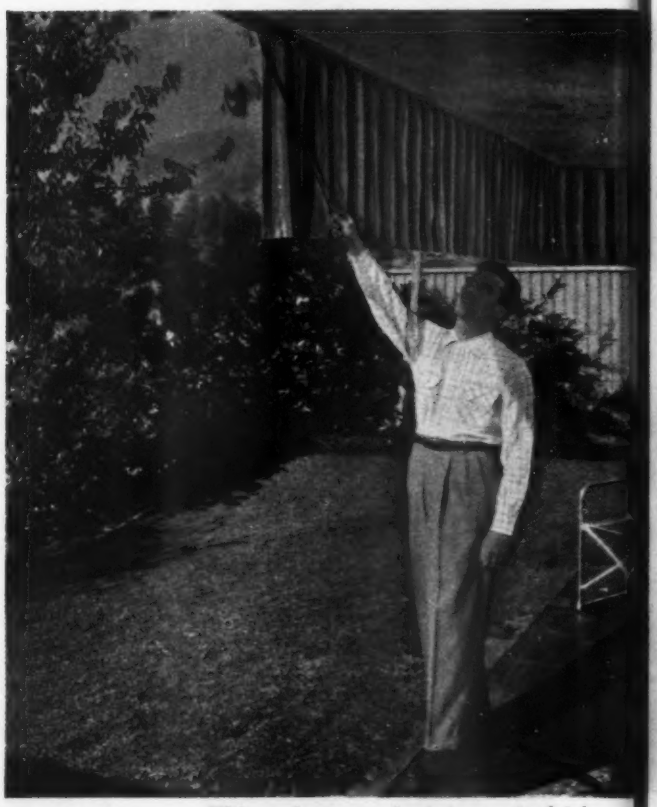
If you ever sat high on the bleacher seats at the circus, you'll remember how warm you were. But when you moved down where the side curtains were rolled up and let the breeze through—ah, so much better! How cool you felt. The Big Top was your parasol both places, but what a difference high and low.

Remember this when you plan sunshades for your home. Keep them as high as possible. And always leave open space near the ground for the breeze to come through.

Southerners have long practiced this. But builders and homeowners in the North have frequently forgotten—and boil and bake as a consequence when the mercury soars.

Another fundamental of comfort is to use your shademakers to avoid reflected heat. Shade your terrace and porch floors.

For shade—pronto!—let the children play beneath a blanket stretched over a line, tentwise. Lash or tack canvas to your eaves as a temporary roof—a parasol held high—while you adapt one of these ideas for your comfort this summer and next.



This eyebrow sunshade is wonderful for cutting off the late-afternoon sun but it lets you keep the breeze and the view.

Thought up by the J. H. Biggars family of Pasadena, it is moved along a traverse curtain track by rod at one end

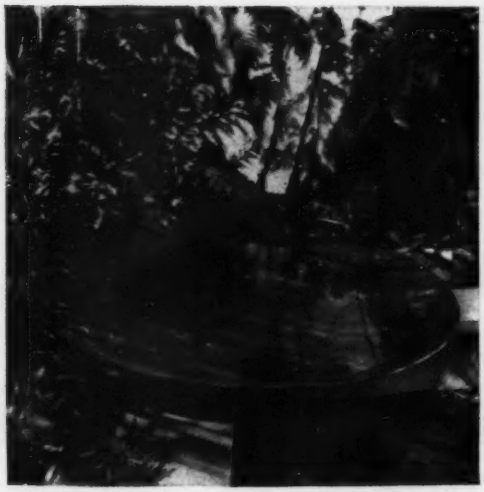
Photographs: de Gennaro

Another way to get shade at just the hours you want it is demonstrated here by Architect Harold Zook, A.I.A. Finely woven reed screens are rolled down and their chains held taut by tension springs.

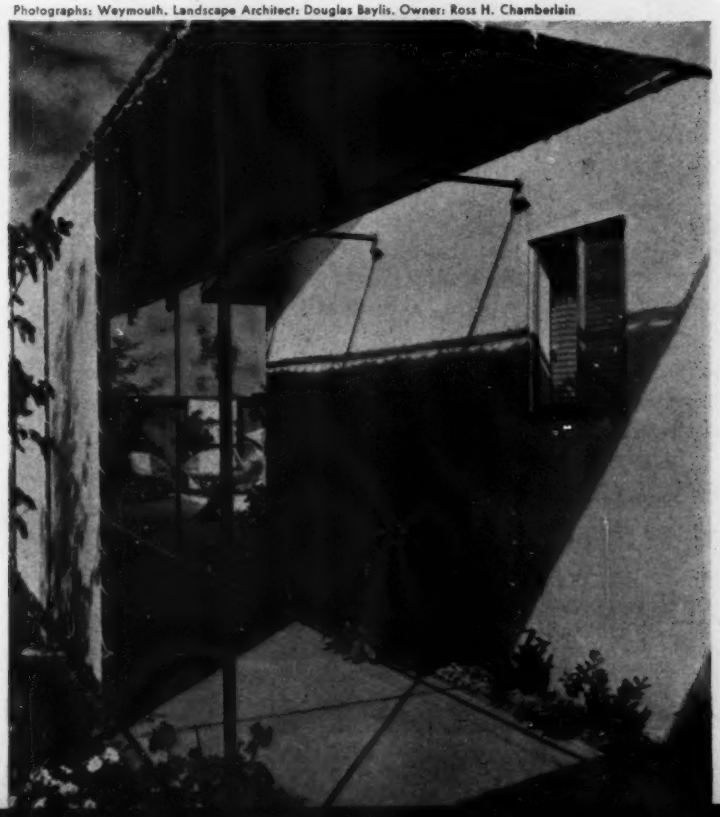
When screens are not wanted, chains hook into screen hems and disappear into recessed channel in roof overhang.

While your trees take on size, why not enjoy the pleasant shade cast by reeds or snow fencing rolled out over a sturdy support like this?

Photographs: Weymouth. Landscape Architect: Douglas Baylis. Owner: Ross H. Chamberlain



The tinkle of falling water gives a cool feeling. Tiny electric fountain recirculates water in basin



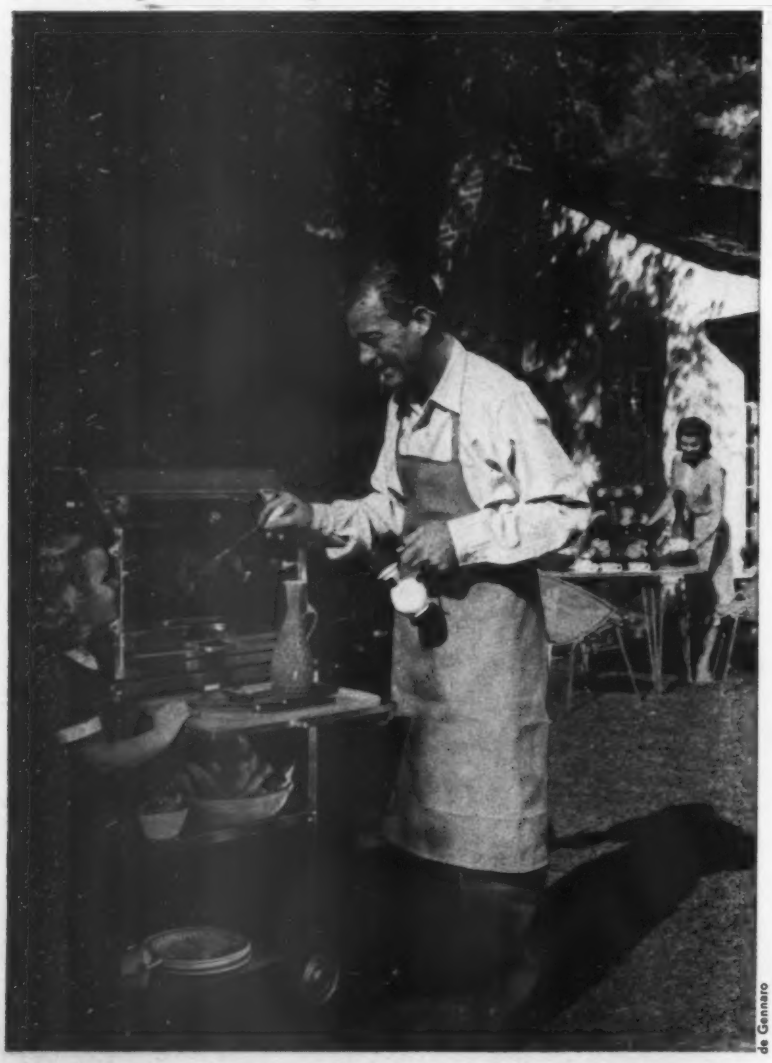
You can get shade quickly and without interfering with your young trees by erecting a pipe and canvas shelter like this. Canvas is lashed to frames as long as needed, then stored indoors

MORE FUN THIS SUMMER

# These are days for cool living

***Here are ideas for enjoying the outdoor season while you have it***

Family barbecue gives Mom a vacation from kitchen, lets Dad become back-yard chef. Stainless-steel electric rotisserie on cart has slow-roasting and fast-broiling elements. Cart boasts pull-out board



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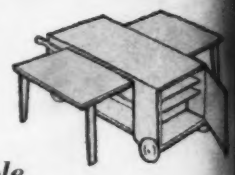
Cookout cart means easier serving outdoors, on porch.

Colorful unit is store-all for dishes, utensils, pans — even folding chairs.



### *Sides swing up for table*

Sides fold out as table wings. Ordinary hand to will build unit. With dimensions and materials li on page 165, you can do job yourself for about

Photographs: Lisanti, Alderman. Owner: Robert S. Green. Data: Dorothy Le

During the day, shaded outdoor terraces are pleas cool play spots. But, come evening, in most parts of country you'll need insectproof shelter to enjoy bre

Open terraces, porches, or unused buildings (this w garage) can be screened for summer. Next step is to clude removable glass panels, heat for all-year com

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# Set the stage for your best summer ever

Frame one side of your terrace with bright pot plants and annuals to create a cool setting for summer lunches

*Start with the space right outside your door to make a new spot for relaxing*

You'd never guess it, would you, but this is a new ajuga called Rainbow, excellent for edging a terrace

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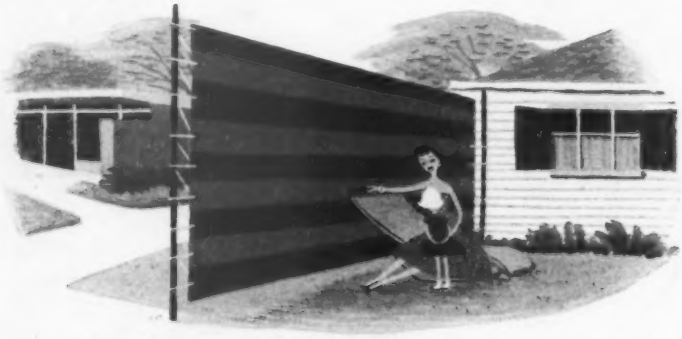
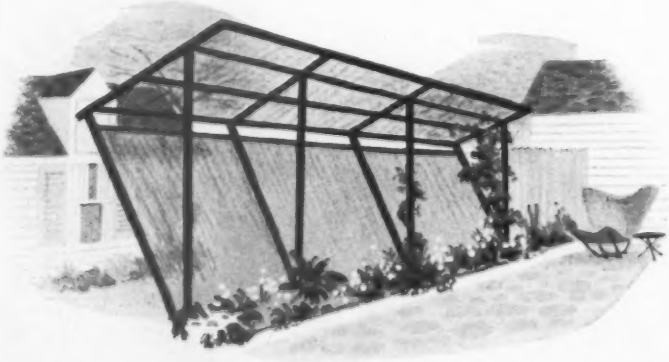
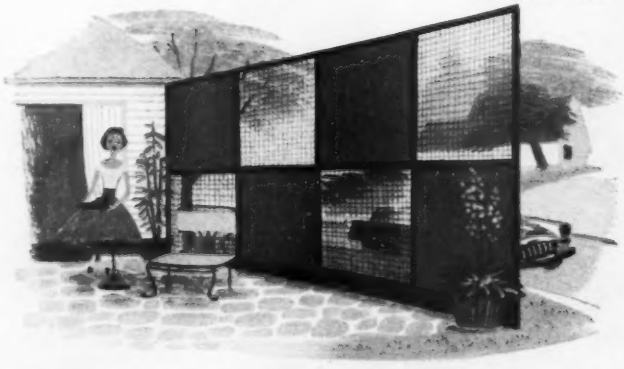


**Canvas for comfort:** Lash bold-patterned canvas to pipe or wood posts and you can get extra privacy and good control of cooling breezes, plus some shade in late afternoon when it counts the most

Drawings: Ric Howard



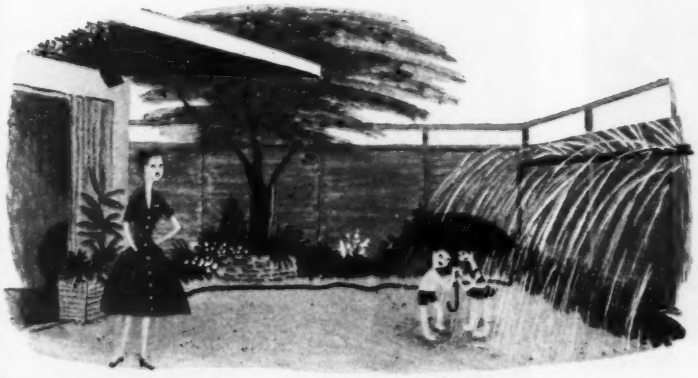
**Cantilevered for privacy:** This screen gives you more privacy and more shade for its height than straight vertical types. Cover frame with materials of your choice. Inexpensive plastic sheeting is good



**Solid panels are quick:** Use plywood and wire mesh to get quick privacy screen. Color with paint or stain, and your outdoor room is ready for use. Use tub plants now, start shrubs for more privacy later

Photograph: de Gennaro. Architects: Jones and Emmons

## *Get a summer living room—simple as one, two, three!*



**Simple but effective:** That plastic sprinkler you use to water the roses can also keep you cool this summer. Raise it up high to catch the breeze. The evaporating water will drop the temperature amazingly—try it on a hot day

QUICKLY as the mercury rises on a July day you can transform your carport, garage, or terrace into a cool, inviting spot.

First, glamorize the oil-spotted cement or weathered brick floor with a gay, felt-backed linoleum rug. Sheets of heavy aluminum foil underneath protect it from the oil. Second, bring on the furniture: portable TV set on a rolling stand, serving cart filled with tall, cool drinks, and stacking aluminum chairs (so lightweight that even Little Sister can carry them).

Last, tack up lights so that you can enjoy evening breezes, too. Extra-long cord plugs into any outlet. Hang wood-slat blinds for extra weather protection, and you're all set for fun.

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# New outdoor lights you can add quickly

YOU CAN GAIN space, gaiety, comfort, and new interest from familiar surroundings —all by adding some new lighting fixtures suited to your porch, patio, or garden.

None we show here require running new wires underground—providing that you already have an accessible convenience outlet. So have light where you want it!

Photographs: Lisanti, Alderman. Landscape Architects: Frank and Ruth White, L. A. Owner: Robert Green, Brockton, Massachusetts

Lighting that's behind screens can be as large and plentiful as needed without the nuisance of attracting insects. The big globe gives a festive air to evening parties and comes down easily for winter. Notice how pink and white flowers pick up summer-house colors. Ground spots light flower beds

de Gennaro

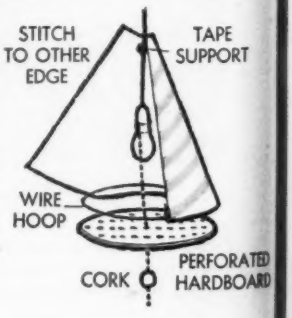
Canvas and several of the new plastics give you lights that are gay and pretty by day as well as after dark. These glowing cones come in plain and striped canvas and so can take an occasional light sprinkling of rain

## *If you feel inventive, make your own lights*

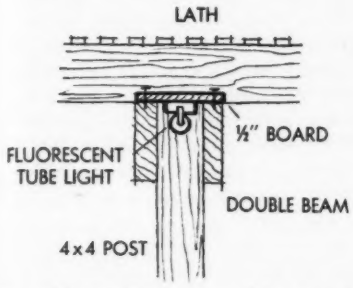
Designer Wes Williams worked in simple materials. Cones are sold, ready to hang, with a good length of lamp cord.

To copy these, you need a circle of perforated hardboard, a triangle of canvas, seamed, and with a wire hoop through the hem.

Attach chain-pull waterproof socket. Feed a stout cord-pull through the circle and finish with round cork bobber for a finger grip. Knot cord below.



## *Install your lights so they never shine directly in eyes*




**Here are the familiar fluorescent fixtures adapted to terrace lighting. Each is mounted on short plank quite independent of roof beams.**

**Planks rest on top of twin 1x6 beams, so fixture hangs down between 1x6s. Cords are run to receptacles sheltered by eaves.**

Photographs: Weymouth. Landscape Architect: Douglas Baylis

Advantages of this installation lie in the spread of light with no glare and the pleasant illumination, as natural in feeling as bright moonlight. See daytime view of this terrace in May issue of *Better Homes & Gardens*.

Handyman—take notice! Here's something good you can't buy. Punch design in center of rectangle of medium-gauge sheet metal. Bow over lamp screwed in outdoor receptacle and push into fence cracks.

## *New light fixtures adapt to all wants*

**At left, above, is the ever-useful spiked spot. Always direct light away from viewers.**

**In center is one of the several mushroom types so good for steps and flower borders.**

**Very new are the tall lights on stands for terrace and porch**

***More on outdoor lighting, page 120***

MORE FUN THIS SUMMER

# A stowaway screen house you can build

If you build it yourself, you can be living in our portable screen house this summer for as little as $100—depending on building costs in your area and the materials you use.

It's the many ways you can use the screen house, year after year, that make it worth twice this cost. You'll be hard put, for example, to keep the children from making a playhouse of it. And it will be just the spot for summer picnics—the type without bugs. Of course, there's no matching it as a place to relax with all the advantages of outdoor living, but screened and removed from the house.

Besides its low cost and many uses, another really remarkable fact is that the materials and methods that put the *Better Homes & Gardens* screen house together are no more complicated than simple screen frames. On page 136, we show you complete details on how to build it; below, we show you how to assemble it; and across the page, we show you how to live in it—for more fun this summer.

***List of materials and how to build, page 136***

***Easy to build, easy to erect, portable panels from workshop to yard are up in 20 minutes!***

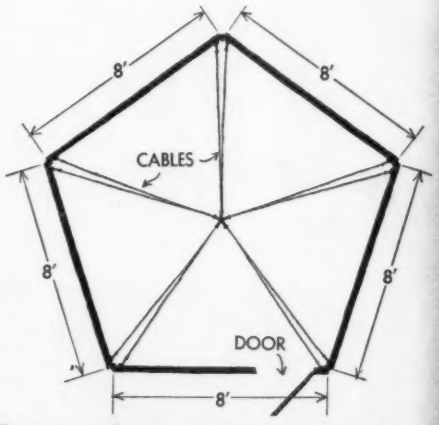
**Door panel** is first up. Position it where you want door to open. Two men can assemble house. You'll need a helping hand only to hold panels upright while you carry and hinge the adjoining panels

**Hinge panels** together working clockwise from the door panel. Five-sided structure will line up best by driving pins in middle hinges first. About 5 minutes have lapsed at this point in assembling

**Lock panels** at middle hinges. When all five are in place, insert remaining hinge pins, locking top hinges first, then bottom ones. You may have to jockey panels in or out slightly until hinges match

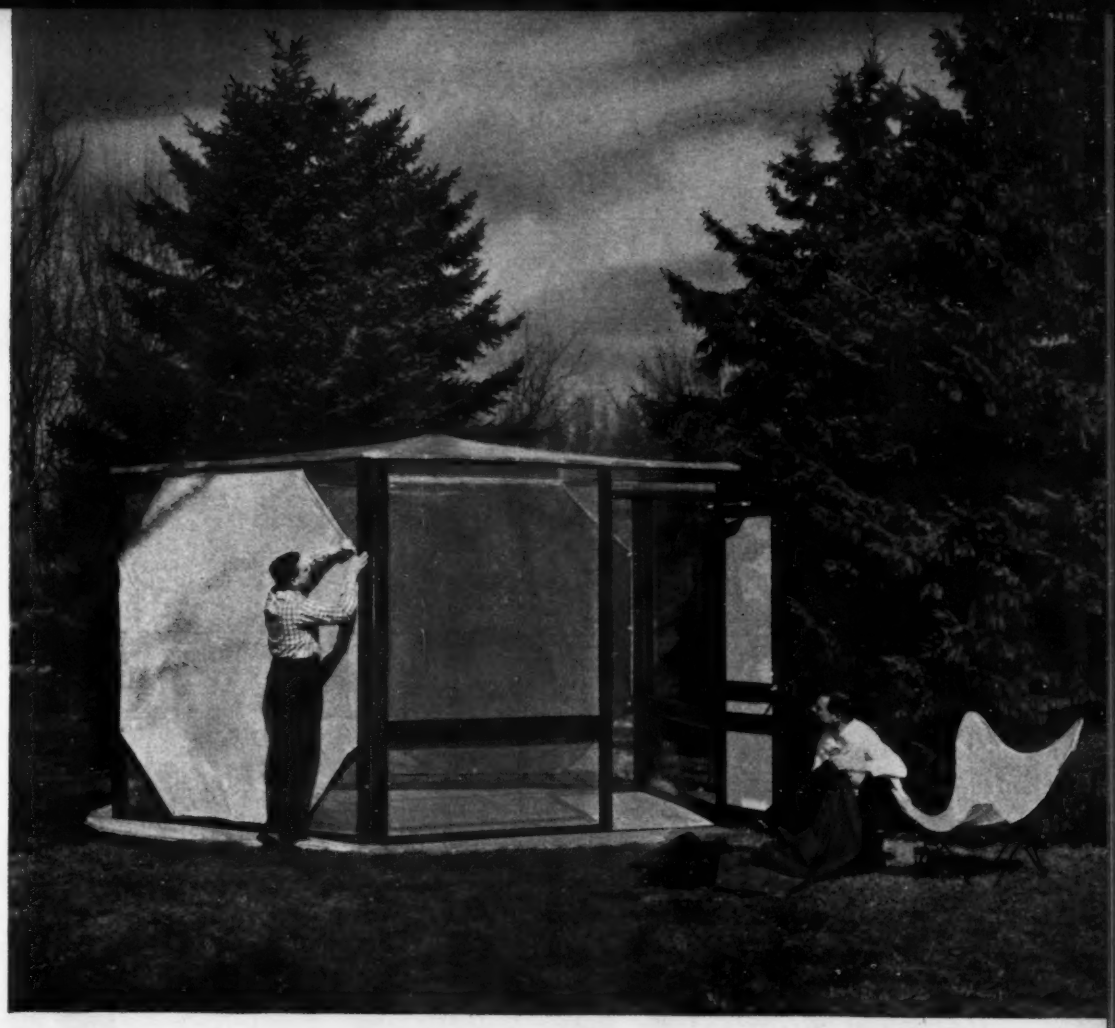
**Steel cable units** are next hooked to framing members. Now, roofing is stretched over cables and fastened to front edges of top framing members. Closet poles are installed where panels meet

**Center pole** is inserted between cables (in units of two). Pole provides proper crown in roof. Rubber sink-stopper between roofing material and top cable unit protects roof from cable connectors




**Pentagon shape** of screen house has effect of a room 12x12—although the five panels that make up the house are only 8 feet wide. Wide-angle corners make every square foot usable

***By Alvin E. Miller***



House up within minutes, you're living outdoors without the disadvantages. And with canvas adapters, you even control wind and view.

The ceiling of translucent plastic (polyethylene film) gives the house night use by hanging light in tree, letting it shine through roof.

There are as many activities for the screen house as there are families to use it. Biggest boost would be for sheltered outdoor eating and dry area for children to play.

Here, daylight ceiling is a single plastic sheet. You could substitute canvas or plastic-coated canvas.

Photographs: Hopkins. Designer, Author

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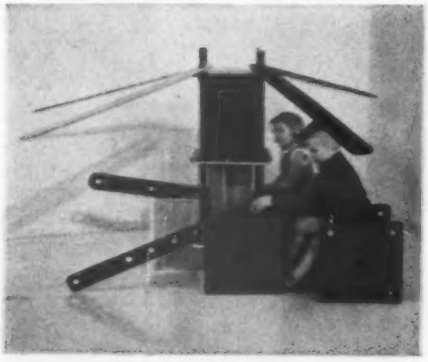
# TOYS...

*Fun to play with, easy to build*

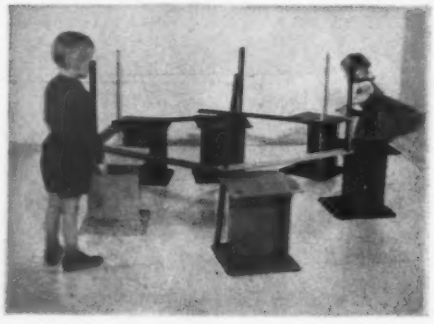
WHEN it comes to imagination, children have it all over grownups. They can pilot a rocket ship seated beside you in the car, captain an ocean liner in the bathtub, or be a lion in a cage just by crawling under the coffee table. Toys on this page are engineered for that imagination. They've been tested by experts—the kids themselves—and we know that they'll amuse individuals or crowds of them for hours on end. They're fun for adults, too, who'll get a kick out of building them.

***Practical and playful, this toy can be anything from train to table***



**Rods slide in holes and planks attach to make helicopter or . . .**

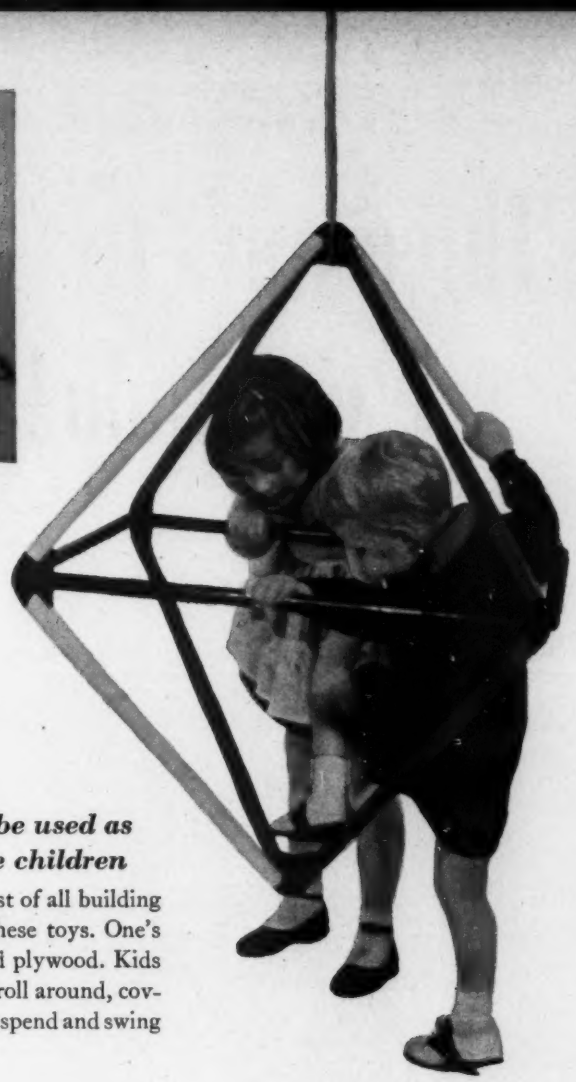
**. . alone, versatile toy can be desk or a child-size chair**



**In a circle for a lady's tea party or a cowboy's corral**

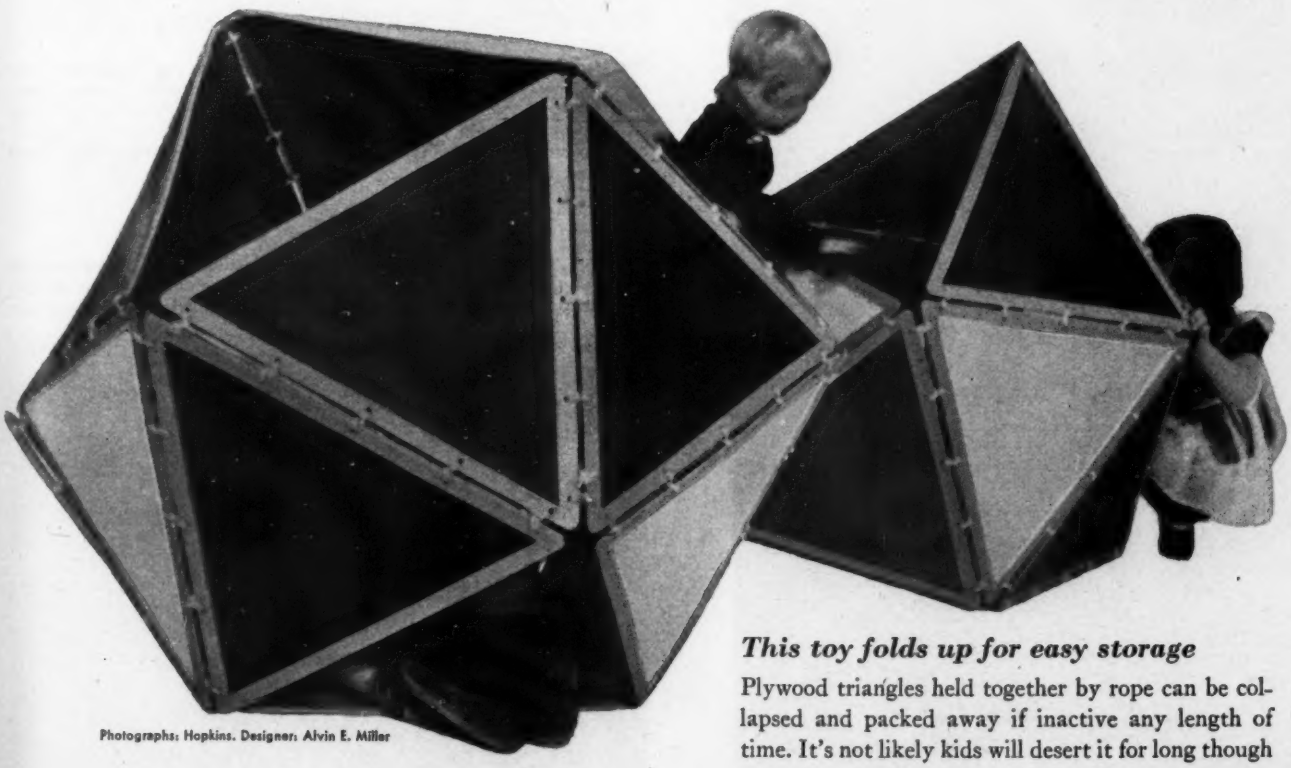
It's a tunnel with more than one way out

Shape gives rigidity, strength



***Light, sturdy toys can be used as many ways as there are children***

Equilateral triangles—strongest of all building forms—are the key to both these toys. One's built of dowels, other of shaped plywood. Kids use them to crawl on, through, roll around, cover with a sheet for a tent, even suspend and swing



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***This toy folds up for easy storage***

Plywood triangles held together by rope can be collapsed and packed away if inactive any length of time. It's not likely kids will desert it for long though

***How to build these toys, see page 152***

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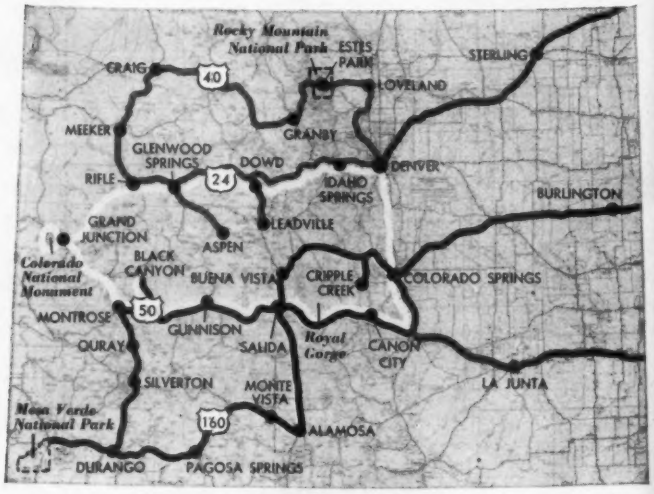
# Three ways to see Colorado!

**Mesa Verde National Park** contains cliff dwellings of Indian civilization that flourished here more than 1,000 years ago. Rangers conduct tours of ancient homes by day, recreate early life at Mesa Verde in campfire talks

**Royal Gorge** of the Arkansas River is crossed by the world's highest suspension bridge, 1,053 feet above the water. Curving cables brace span against winds whipping between sheer cliffs. Gorge is near Canon City




**North loop:** north and west from Denver, follows world's highest auto road to Lookout Mountain, Estes Park, Rocky Mountain National Park. **Central loop:** to Black Canyon, Royal Gorge, Pike's Peak, Garden of the Gods. This tour takes you near uranium-rich area and best trout streams. **South loop:** Colorado Springs to Cripple Creek, Durango, Mesa Verde

**Narrow-gauge railroad,** only one still operating in this country, carries sightseers through San Juan country between Durango and Silverton. Known as the "Iron Goat," train stops for photographers, fishermen, prospectors

**Indian children pose** for photograph as they help entertain vacationing youngsters at Royal Gorge. Indian dances are staged at the Gorge; tame deer visit for evening handouts. Incline railway descends to Gorge

***By William R. Wilson***

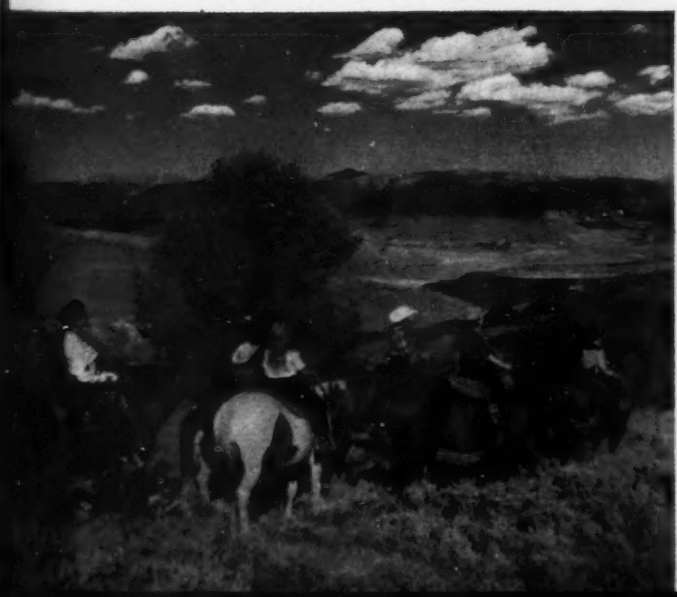
Colorado's scenic splendor attracts some four million tourists every year. Visitors are equally enthusiastic about the cool comfort of Colorado's natural air conditioning which sharpens appetites and calls for blankets at night.

Colorado has 52 mountain peaks over 14,000 feet in height. Here in America's "tallest state" (average elevation 6,800 feet) you'll find the world's best trout fishing. Six thousand miles of trout streams and 2,000 lakes give every angler ample room to maneuver to his heart's content. Within an hour's easy drive of Denver you can pan gold from a mountain stream and relive frontier history in an old mining town once described as the "richest square mile on earth." You'll absorb much of the colorful fact and fiction associated with Buffalo Bill Cody, Zebulon Pike, Kit Carson, and Jim Bridger.

If you're a camping family, or if you just enjoy eating an occasional outdoor meal, Colorado invites you to camp, climb, ride, or picnic in its 13 national parks and forests, and in several of its national monuments. Colorado's highways—many of them new—are well maintained, and you'll find many top-quality motels and hotels and good food at reasonable prices. [ *Turn to page 138*

**Skyway to the Stars,** new, $200,000 aerial tramway carries visitors 1,100 feet up the slope of Prospect Mountain at Estes Park. A popular winter and summer playground, Estes Park is located in lush valley surrounded by snow-capped mountains. Highest of all, Long's Peak, rises to 14,255 feet

**Dude ranch riders** from the C-Lazy-U look across Willow Creek valley toward Continental Divide near Granby. There are excellent dude ranches in Granby area. Some of best hunting and fishing is few miles to the west



**Chuck-wagon dinners,** with Western-style food and entertainment, are sponsored by Junior Chamber of Commerce for visitors to the Garden of the Gods, the wonderland of red sandstone formations near Colorado Springs

Photographs: Author

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# Travel tricks–

## *A relaxed approach to your weekend travel and vacation driving*

***By Edward D. Fales, Jr.***

Last summer, a family of five took a trip by car to Mexico and spent $30 a day. This summer, they're going again.

"But we'll spend only $25 a day," said Bill Jones, the father. "We've bought something called a 'motel feed bag' and we'll cook our own breakfasts instead of buying them."

A motel feed bag is one new device for making trips cheaper. It's a canvas-covered breakfast kit that contains (1) an electric toaster, (2) electric coffee heater (or percolator), (3) light plastic cups, plates, (4) sugar, powdered cream, instant coffee, and jelly. The coffee heater can be used, too, to boil eggs. Motels report more and more tourists this year are cooking breakfast. In fact, *some motels (and even hotels) are now installing kitchenettes*—you can cook your dinner, too! But there are many other new, money-saving ideas in touring. Two manufacturers now build "highway sleepers"—two-wheeled plastic trailers, so light you don't even know you're towing them! One looks like a flattened egg. At night, you turn a crank and the little package sprouts a roof and side curtains. Presto! You have a cabin complete with kitchenette. Another "sleeper" is even more surprising. Lift off the top, turn it upside down—and you have a boat ready to row (or use with a motor). Hidden under this boat top is a double bed, lights, a small dressing space—and a "kitchenette drawer."

Most cars are cluttered, after the first day. The glove compartment is stuffed full and the seats are a jumble of maps, tissues, sunglasses, flashlights, magazines, and souvenirs.

This is one great complaint. What can be done about it? There are two solutions: 1. Buy an "armrest carryall." This is an attractive leatherette box. Besides holding all the clutter, it gives the driver an elbow rest on long hauls. 2. Hang a shoe bag over the back of the front seat. The shoe slots make fine holders for maps, papers, whisk broom, flashlight, sunglasses, and many other incidentals.

Other useful items: *Electric frying pan* (for eggs-and-bacon breakfasts). *Electric "dip-heater."* Dip it in a cup of cold water—and make instant coffee. Or use the water to warm a baby's bottle. *Folding aluminum table and chairs.* These pack in amazingly small units, stow easily, and are a tremendous comfort. A *"map reader" kit.* This contains magnifying glass, pencil—and an ingenious little wheel you roll over your map. It tells you at a glance what the distance is between any two points. *Seat belts* for comfort and safety. They brace Mother when Dad's driving on winding roads—save her the tiring job of bracing herself.

Cashing a check where you're not known is a headache. So (1) take travelers' checks, which you can buy from your bank; or (2) take plenty of credit cards. These are issued by hotel chains and oil companies. Hotel cards let you charge rooms and meals and cash checks. Oil-company cards let you charge gas, tires, even repairs. If you carry large amounts of cash, get a traveler's shoulder holster (it's hidden under your arm and clothes) or one of the new, slim, conventional money belts.

Besides plenty of car tissues, you'll find the new "miracle" towelettes fine for washing hands and faces while driving. They take the place of soap and water. Drivers' hands get sticky and dirty—wipe them with the moist towelettes—and they're clean. After "washing," save the towelettes and use them to clean your windshield! On rainy days, they clear window fog. They'll even clean your hands after you've changed a tire.

In Milwaukee, the other day, a couple started for the Rockies. They had reached Madison, Wisconsin, before the wife, who had planned to drive part of the way, remembered she'd left her driver's license at home and it was too late to go back. Moral: tape a trip check-list to your kitchen door a week before you leave. (Such a list appears on page 122. Study it. It will save you time and trouble.)

You can save $5 to $6 a day in family meal costs, besides breakfast savings, by using one of the many excellent portable stoves now available. If you don't own one, investigate them. They quickly pay for themselves—and cooking a meal a day outdoors is fun.

*New station-wagon and trailer ideas add hours of pleasure to family trips*

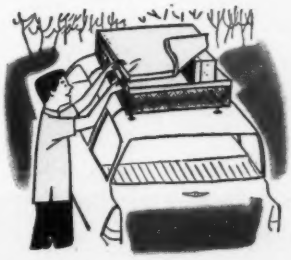
PACKED WITH IDEAS, this mark-and-save feature for vacationists tells: how to choose a motel or hotel; ways to save on meal costs; the best ways to pack luggage; a report on new kinds of tents; what clothing to take for the family; how to travel with small children; how to estimate the cost of your trip. For a fast getaway check list, see page 122. For other vacation equipment you may need, see "It's news to me," page 128.

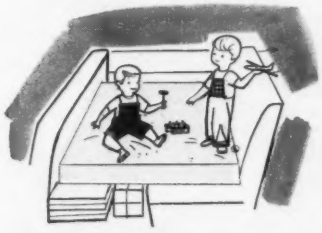
**This station wagon carries a complete kitchen under a plywood platform bed, behind the second seat.**

**The unit, light enough to be handled by one person, has water tank with faucet, stove, compartment for re-freezable ice, cabinets for dishes.**

**The kitchen unit is easily moved to nearby park table.**

Never load your trunk so full you can't close it (exhaust gases seep in through the trunk and back seat.) You can prevent luggage chafing by sandwiching a strip of soft carpeting, 1 foot wide and 8 feet long, between the bags to keep them from rubbing together. To keep baggage out of your car: (1) use a car-top carrier, or (2) look up the trailer companies in the commercial section of your phone book—and find one that rents small baggage trailers. These have covers and can be locked. If you plan to keep suitcases inside the car, pack them on end. Standing them on end on the floor of the back seat leaves more room for the passengers. But pack heavy articles on the end that's going to be on the floor! Pack your shirts "on end," too! When you pack luggage in your trunk, first place everything—including car jack and other tools—on the ground. Then select the least-used luggage and stow it far back in the trunk. Put the jack, tools, flashlights, food, and toilet handbags in last.

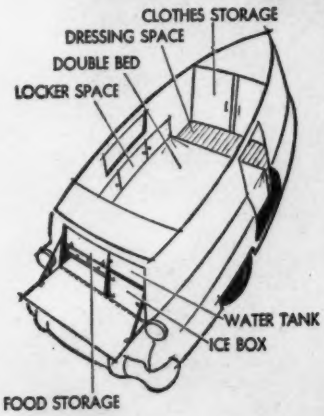




Some travelers pack their bags on the floor of the back seat, then level the whole area with the side of a playpen (or a piece of plywood) and lay a crib mattress (or an air mattress) over it. This makes a play area for small children. (Be sure to lock the doors.) For use in this play area, take several favorite toys. Or load up with surprise toys at a dimestore. Deal them out one at a time as the trip progresses! Many families play word games, and "20 questions." Children like to run contests to see who can count the most out-of-state license plates, station wagons, horses, and so on.

You can sleep comfortably in some station wagons, on air mattresses. For touring, a station wagon is tops: you can store all your gear in back (including, now, a special station-wagon boat). If you install a playpen for the baby, be sure the station wagon has a side exhaust.

If you sleep in a car bed or station wagon, keep mosquitoes away with plastic [ *Turn to page 122*




**Roof for this camp trailer is 135-pound laminated-plastic boat one man can handle.**

**A tarp protects the trailer contents if a storm comes up while boat is on the lake. Boat and trailer combined have a travel weigh of 1,050 pounds.**

**Inside—space for a double bed, a work table, 8.4-gallon water tank, and ice box.**

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# Change your ways with summer meals

### *Take it easy with make-aheads from your home freezer*

Have the fixings of a meal in the freezer, and unexpected guests will toss bouquets at your brand of hospitality. Choose an emergency shelf from the frozen-food case at the market—meat and chicken pies, shrimp, chop suey, ham, and fish sticks.

Double the main-dish recipe you fix on a cool day. Freeze half to enjoy on a lazy evening—no preparation fuss on a warm day for you. Good freezers are: hamburger pie, barbecued ribs, stewed chicken, meat loaf.

It's easy to act the part of a gracious hostess with your freezer as an expert cateress. For example: Fill eclairs or cream puffs with vanilla ice cream, cover with a rich chocolate sauce, and freeze. Be sure to give the family a selection of two or three flavors of packaged ice cream from the freezer. For instant dessert service, dip up ice cream, freeze in paper dishes.

### *Start the day with breakfast in your back yard*

When the thermometer blows its top, count on early morning air to put zest in appetites. Your outdoor breakfast need not be fancy—serve strawberries with their "caps" on for dipping in confectioners' sugar and include juice and rolls. Mound berries on trays lined with leaves

Photograph: de Gennaro

Attention all sandwich makers: Frozen bread won't tear when spread with stiff filling—you'll be pleased at such neat sandwiches.

You can have the makings of a day's outing ready at the drop of a picnicker's hat. Reach in your freezer for hamburger patties or minute steaks. Remember, you can stow buns away in the freezer, too. Leftover baked beans frozen in paper dishes are go-withs.

Ice-cream snowballs in rainbow colors are a delightful hot-day surprise, pretty enough for company. Dip up balls of mint, chocolate, peppermint, and vanilla ice cream. For "snow," roll in flaked coconut, freeze on baking sheet. Transfer to plastic bag for easy storing. Serve snowballs in big bowl—give guests their choice.

The kids will get in some good licks on ice-cream pops from the freezer. Make your own from frozen juice or buy assorted flavors. Ice-cream cones, dipped up and stored in the freezer, can fill other icy requests from your hungry small fry.

Slick tricks for garnishes: Freeze luscious whole strawberries on baking sheets. Give the same cold treatment to dollops of whipped cream. You'll have pretty toppers aplenty for ice-cream sundaes, parfaits, or pie.

Your freezer makes a wonderful "igloo" for ice cubes—freeze cubes in refrigerator. Store them in plastic bags in the freezer for lemonade parties.

Bake two fruit pies some cool morning. Freeze one and save for porch picnic or speedy dessert. Pies to freeze: apple, cherry, blueberry, rhubarb, peach.

### *Call on your refrigerator for help in hot-weather cooking*

Fix a large roast or bake a whole ham—keep some in refrigerator for hearty salads, sandwich fillings, and for slicing cold.

Cook additional spuds when making potato salad—chill extras for hashed browns the next night.

Hard-cook extra eggs—you'll like them chopped in salads, supper dishes, sandwich fillings. Slice eggs for garnishes.

Keep canned meats and sandwich fillings in refrigerator for impromptu picnics. Have cans of salmon or tuna on call for easy cold platter arrangement or salad. Chill canned shrimp for cocktail.

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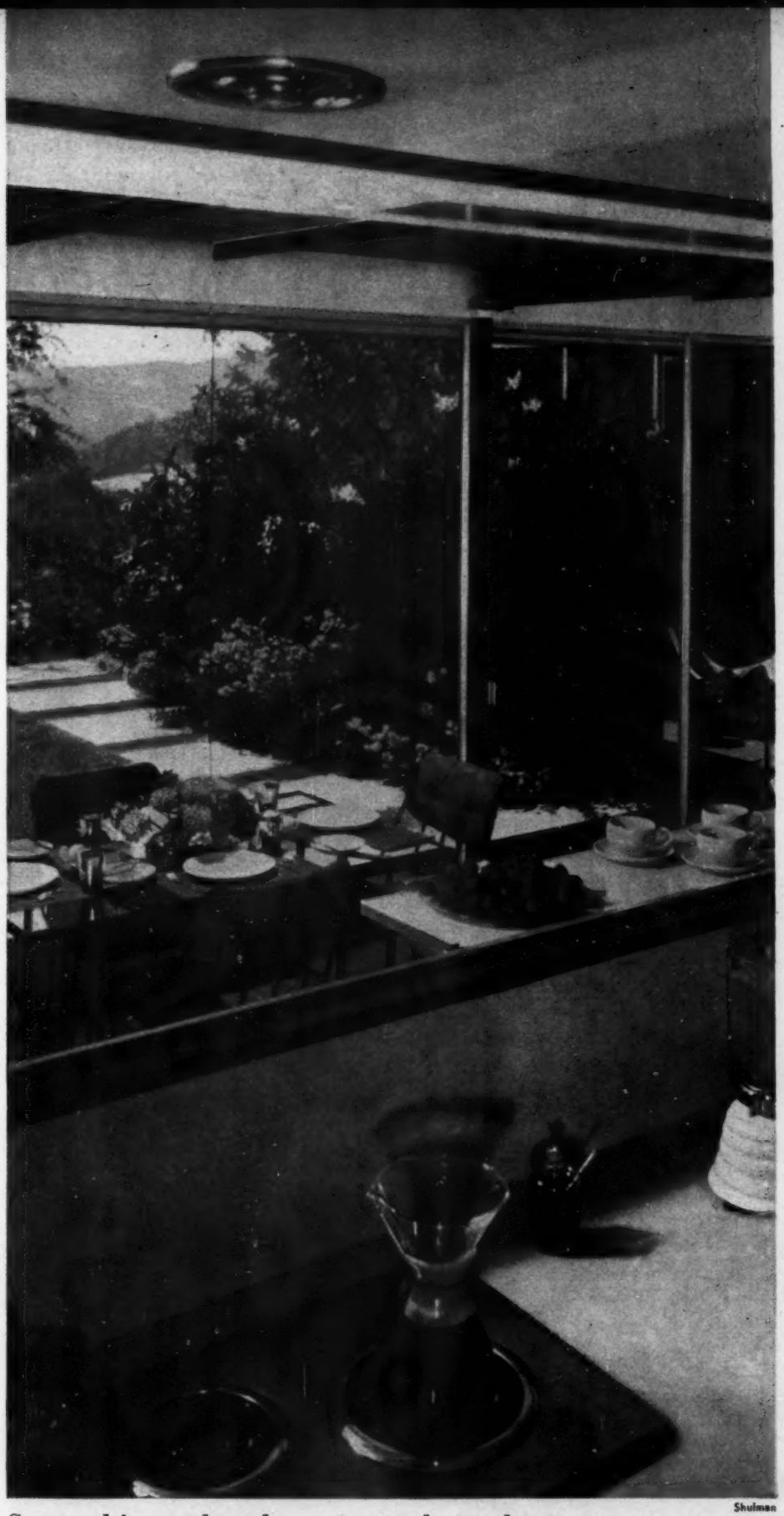

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***Screened-in porch makes every meal a garden party***

Pass-through saves steps—allows food to travel direct from kitchen. Serving on porch is easy with a handy snack bar. Chilly days are shut outside by sliding glass panels from the wall divider to ceiling

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# Let cool salads

By Myrna Johnston

## With a garden-wheel luncheon, pass Sesame Wedges

**Salad-go-round**

Cook a variety of vegetables just till done, then marinate in French or garlic dressing. We show cauliflower, peas, green beans, baby Limas, carrots. Pour oil-vinegar-style French or garlic dressing over each drained vegetable; chill about 2 hours, turning vegetables occasionally. Arrange as in the picture, adding tomato and onion slices, green-pepper strips with pimiento trim. Spoon Indianaise over the cauliflower.

**Indianaise:** Combine ¾ cup mayonnaise or salad dressing, 2 tablespoons chopped chutney, and ½ teaspoon curry powder. Garnish with chopped pimiento.

More recipes on page 150

# make "cooking" a breeze!

## *Handsome salad tray is star of a candlelight supper*

**Tomato Towers**

6 hard-cooked eggs, chopped
¼ cup chopped green pepper
¼ cup chopped green onions
¼ cup chopped ripe olives
⅓ cup mayonnaise
1 teaspoon salt
Dash pepper

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6 medium tomatoes
6 large ripe olives

Combine the eggs, green pepper, onions, olives. Blend mayonnaise and seasonings; add to egg mixture and toss lightly. Chill. Peel tomatoes if desired and cut in 3 slices; sprinkle with salt. Reassemble each tomato, top down, with egg filling between slices. Peg with ripe olive on toothpick. Arrange tomatoes on ruffly lettuce. Pass bowl of mayonnaise. Makes 6 servings. Tray trim: cucumber wedges with paprika ridge, garden onions, carrot curls, and cauliflowerets.

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# *For a Dutch lunch: potato salad, cold cuts, and cheese on rye*

**Buffet Potato-salad Mold**

1 envelope (1 tablespoon) unflavored gelatin
¼ cup cold water
1 cup boiling water
¼ cup lemon juice
2 tablespoons sugar
1 teaspoon salt

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8 stuffed green olives, sliced
3 hard-cooked eggs, chopped
4 cups diced cooked potatoes
1 cup diced celery
¼ cup diced green pepper
¼ cup diced pimiento
¼ cup chopped green onions
¼ cup chopped parsley
1½ teaspoons salt
1 cup mayonnaise
½ cup heavy cream, whipped

Soften gelatin in cold water; dissolve in boiling water. Stir in lemon juice, sugar, and 1 teaspoon salt. Pour thin layer of gelatin mixture into 1½-quart ring mold; chill. When almost firm, place "flower" design on top (olive slices and green-pepper strips), if desired. Add remaining ingredients to rest of gelatin mixture. Spoon over gelatin in ring mold. Chill till firm. Unmold on crisp lettuce. Center with bowl of mayonnaise, and tuck in bouquets of parsley. Makes 8 servings.

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## *"Everything's ready on the porch. Come and help yourself"*

**Snowcap Cheese Molds**

1 12-ounce carton (1½ cups) cream-style cottage cheese
2 3-ounce packages cream cheese
1 teaspoon unflavored gelatin
¼ cup cold water
¼ teaspoon salt

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1 cup seedless green grapes
½ cup broken pecans
2 tablespoons chopped chives
1 cup heavy cream, whipped

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6 or 8 canned pineapple slices

Mash cheeses together till well blended. Soften gelatin in cold water; dissolve over boiling water; add salt. Stir gelatin mixture into cheese mixture. Add grapes, nuts, and chives. Fold in whipped cream. Spoon into individual molds or 1-quart mold. Chill 4 to 6 hours. Unmold on pineapple slices. Arrange on lettuce ruffles as above. Center platter with mound of peach halves and garnish with avocado arches and red-ripe strawberries. Makes 6 to 8 servings. Offer bowls of flaked or shredded coconut. Honey Dressing (at right), and Lemonade Dressing (in bowl beside plate of crackers).

**Lemonade Dressing:** Beat 2 eggs in top of double boiler; stir in ⅓ cup sugar and one 6-ounce can lemonade concentrate. Cook and stir over simmering water till thick. Cool thoroughly. Fold in 1 cup heavy cream, whipped. Chill. Makes 3 cups.

**Honey Dressing**

¼ to ⅔ cup sugar
1 teaspoon dry mustard
1 teaspoon paprika
1 teaspoon celery seed
¼ teaspoon salt
⅓ cup honey
⅓ cup vinegar
1 tablespoon lemon juice, fresh, frozen, or canned
1 teaspoon grated onion
1 cup salad oil

Mix together sugar, mustard, paprika, celery seed, and salt. Add honey, vinegar, lemon juice, and onion. Pour oil into mixture very slowly, beating constantly with rotary or electric beater. This dressing is just sweet and tart enough to point up the flavor of a lush fruit salad. Makes 2 cups.

Accessories by Fae Huttenlocher

## *How about a salad buffet in pink "just for the girls"?*

**Chicken Salad in Raspberry Ring**

2 cups cubed cooked or canned chicken
¼ teaspoon salt
2 hard-cooked eggs, chopped
¾ cup sliced celery
1 teaspoon lemon juice
½ cup Creamy Mayonnaise

Lightly toss ingredients together; chill. Serve in **Raspberry Ring:** Thaw three 10-ounce packages frozen red raspberries; drain, reserving 2 cups syrup. (Use berries for garnish.) Soften 2 envelopes (2 tablespoons) unflavored gelatin in ½ cup lemon juice; dissolve in 1¼ cups boiling water. Stir in ¾ cup sugar, ¼ teaspoon salt, and reserved raspberry syrup. Chill till partially set. Add ¾ cup cantaloupe or watermelon balls. Pour into 5-cup ring mold. Chill till firm. Unmold on curly endive. Pass additional Creamy Mayonnaise. Makes 6 servings.

To round out your luncheon: hot Bran Muffins, salted nuts, stuffed celery, big pitcher of icy pink lemonade (easy with frozen concentrate).

**Creamy Mayonnaise:** Combine 1 cup mayonnaise and ½ cup heavy cream, whipped. Makes about 1⅔ cups.

**Bran Muffins:** Cream 2 tablespoons shortening with 3 tablespoons sugar. Add 1 egg and beat well. Stir in ¾ cup milk, then 1 cup whole bran. Sift together 1 cup sifted enriched flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder, and ½ teaspoon salt; stir into bran mixture just till moistened. Fill greased muffin pans ⅔ full. Bake in hot oven (425°) 20 to 25 minutes. Makes 1 dozen.

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## *It's a picnic! Take a paper plate and pitch right in*

**Humpty-Dumpty Salad in Bread Boat**

1 loaf Vienna bread
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6 hard-cooked eggs, coarsely diced
1½ cups diced celery
½ cup chopped stuffed green olives
¼ cup chopped onion
1 clove garlic, minced
¾ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
½ cup mayonnaise
2 tablespoons prepared mustard
Melted butter or margarine

Cut top crust off bread and reserve for lid. Hollow out loaf to within 1 inch of the bottom. Crumble enough bread (taken from center) to make 1 cup crumbs; add eggs, celery, olives, onion, garlic, salt, and pepper. Combine mayonnaise and mustard; add to egg mixture and toss lightly. Fill "boat"; replace top; brush loaf with butter. Wrap in foil. Bake in hot oven (425°) 30 to 35 minutes or till heated through. Top salad with egg and olive slices. Cut loaf in 8 servings and serve hot with buttered roasting ears, dill pickles, radishes, olives, and Carrot Crisps.

**Carrot Crisps:** Slice carrots paper thin. Chill thoroughly in ice water till rounds are attractively curled; drain.

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# *Little salads to round out a meal, appetizers, desserts*

**Fruited Honeydew**

Cut honeydew in circles; pare. Place on salad plates and center with assorted chilled fruits—cuts of peach, banana, plum, apricot. Trim with bright cherries (leave stems on) and mint sprigs. Pass bowl of cottage cheese dotted with sliced strawberries. Offer fruit French dressing or lemon wedges. Refreshing light lunch—or serve as appetizer or dessert.

**Tuna-filled Tomato Stars**

- 1 6½- or 7-ounce can (1 cup) tuna
- ¾ cup finely sliced celery
- ¼ cup chopped green pepper
- 2 hard-cooked eggs, chopped
- 2 tablespoons thinly sliced gherkins
- 1 tablespoon minced onion
- ⅓ cup mayonnaise
- 6 medium tomatoes

Break tuna in chunks. Add celery, green pepper, eggs, gherkins, and onion. Moisten with mayonnaise. Chill. Turn tomatoes stem end down and cut, not quite through, in 6 sections. Spread apart; sprinkle center with salt and fill with tuna salad. Top with olive slices and serve on lettuce. Makes 6 servings. Nice little luncheon with hot poppy-seed rolls, wedges of chiffon pie, iced tea.

**Lime Rings with Shrimp**

- 1 package lime-flavored gelatin
- 1¾ cups hot water
- 3 tablespoons lemon juice
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- 1 12-ounce carton (1½ cups) large-curd cream-style cottage cheese, drained
- Cooked or canned cleaned shrimp

Dissolve gelatin in hot water. Add lemon juice and salt. Chill until partially set. Fold in cottage cheese. Pour into individual ring molds. Chill till set. Unmold on crisp lettuce. Fill center with mayonnaise and polka dot with capers. Garnish with shrimp. Makes 5 to 6 servings. Dandy meal starter—next course is cup of hot vegetable soup with toasted rolls. Dessert: fudge sundaes.

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## *Dad, here's a salad meal to make you famous!*

**Chef's Salad Bowl**

1 clove garlic
1 head romaine or lettuce
1 to 2 cups cooked or canned ham in strips
½ pound sharp American cheese, cut in strips
2 cups cooked peas, chilled
1½ pounds fresh asparagus, cooked, drained, and chilled
1 bunch radishes
Deviled Eggs
• • •
Chef's French Dressing

Rub salad bowl with cut clove garlic and line with romaine. Arrange ham, cheese, vegetables, and Deviled Eggs as shown. Sprinkle with salt and fresh-ground black pepper. Serve with Chef's French Dressing. Makes 6 servings. Pass basket of Garlic Slices. Meal take-off: Hot Tomato Bouillon. Dessert: green-apple pie and coffee.

**Chef's French Dressing:** Combine 2 tablespoons sugar, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon dry mustard, 1 teaspoon paprika. Add ⅓ cup herb vinegar, 3 tablespoons lemon juice, 1 tablespoon grated onion, and ⅔ cup salad oil. Mix well or cover and shake. Makes 1⅓ cups.

**For Deviled Eggs:** Halve 6 hard-cooked eggs lengthwise; remove yolks and mash. Combine yolks with ¼ cup mayonnaise, ¼ teaspoon salt, dash pepper, 2 teaspoons prepared mustard, 1 tablespoon finely chopped celery. Refill egg whites (we used pastry tube). Chill. Garnish with chopped chives.

*More recipes on page 150*

Photographs: Snook, Photography, Inc.

# ABC's of flower arrangement

*By Fae Huttenlocher*

FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS done in the Traditional manner are an important and authentic decorative detail found in famous Early American homes. Try your hand at one of these "buxom bouquets." You will use—in massed array—all the variety your flower garden offers at any season of the year.

Photographs: Colonial Williamsburg

Mrs. Louise B. Fisher, flower arranger at Colonial Williamsburg, our adviser for this month's lesson on Traditional arrangements

Fluted bowls, fingered posy holders, pitchers, jugs, tankards, and wire-mesh holders are typical accessories for Traditional arrangements. Here are some reproductions of originals used at Colonial Williamsburg

***The magnificence of many flowers . . . .***
***. . . . and the loveliness of one***

An old ironstone pitcher was a favorite flower holder in Colonial days. The wide mouth easily accommodated the great mass and assortment of flowers made popular by the wonderful Flemish and French paintings and prints of that era.

The single glad spike in philodendron leaves, (right) is set in an Eighteenth Century porcelain basket bowl.



More on next page

# ABC's of flower arrangement *continued*

Step 1

In contrast to the rigid proportions and placement of materials in Oriental arrangements, the Traditional follows no rules. Some of the most famous Traditional arrangements are five times the height of the container. Usually, the over-all design is fan shape, marked by a profusion of color and variety. But the final form will take its shape from the materials and location selected.

Generally, a background material—pine, hemlock, or flowering branches—is placed first at the back of the container, establishing size and shape. Then, beginning high, the taller, larger flowers are worked down and forward. Smaller and more compact flowers are added last to fill in and round out the arrangement.

Though few greens or branches are used in these arrangements, there is always room for "just one more flower."

## *Here's how to arrange your flowers as a Traditional picture of colorful beauty*

Step 2

**Step 1.** Set a square wire-mesh holder into a fluted porcelain bowl. Spread hemlock or other flat greens at rear of holder. Place yellow snapdragons or tallest flowers in front of the greens

**Step 2.** Cut yellow iris, roses, and daisies—or any smaller, more compact blossoms—to assorted lengths. Place in holder in front of snaps. Your arrangement will begin to fill in and take shape

**Step 3.** Add brilliantly colored flowers, such as red anemones and roses, for striking contrast, form, and texture. Gain an interesting focal point by grouping several over the lip of the container

**Finished arrangement.** Complete your floral picture by adding a few yellow carnations or other flowers to fill in where needed. Note that all are kept within the pleasing proportions and shape set by the hemlock greens. A pair of handsome brass candlesticks completes an attractive setting for a foyer table.

Most Traditional arrangements are "one sided" bouquets since flowers were seldom used on dining or center tables. Fruits, candles, or ornaments were preferred for that purpose.

Colonial Williamsburg

Step 3

Hopkins

***Use stocks, roses, and daisies in a crystal urn for a Traditionally pleasing bouquet***

← In this buffet or tea-table bouquet, flowers rather than greens form the background. White stock sets the high point, with shorter, lavender stocks placed in front and to sides

Yellow roses mark the extreme width → of the fan and add balanced change of form and color. The yellow and white daisies are added in radiating cluster (above) to complete the effect

# Meals that travel

## *on summer jaunts*

***By Patricia Hunt Lyons***

TAKE-ALONG foods are a must if you're going by car to vacationland, or if you're out for a day of fishing or motor boating. Here are easy-to-fix meals and carrying gear that will keep everything at its delicious best

***Supper-in-a-Bun***
***Potato Chips***
***Celery and Carrot Sticks***
***Fruit Pie***
***Hot or Cold Beverage***

We're off for a cruise or a ride with the food safely packed in these containers. Problem of pouring hot or cold drinks is solved with big jug—just squeeze rubber bulb on top, hold cup under spigot.

Plaid insulated carrier is filled with boiling water to heat franks. Pint vacuum food jar (center) has wide mouth for easy serving, keeps filling hot for Supper-in-a-Bun. Piepan has lock-on lid for travel.

***Corn Chowder***
***Bologna-Cheese Bunwiches***
***Cookies*** ***Cupcakes***
***Fresh Pineapple Wedges***
***Beverage—your choice***

Here's a meal to take on the boat with a galley, or for roadside stops on an auto trip. On lightweight grill, heat foil-wrapped Bologna-Cheese Bunwiches; this portable unit collapses easily for packing.

Ladle hearty corn chowder from the wide-mouth quart vacuum jar. Deep foilware pans have many uses for "meals on the go"—here one corrals dessert.

Photographs: Nelson, Photography, Inc.

***Assorted Sandwiches***
***Dill Pickles*** ***Stuffed Celery Sticks***
***Plums*** ***Oranges***
***Bottled Drinks*** ***Milk***

Choose fruit and beverage from sturdy refrigerated chest—they'll be icy cold. You could stow away a salad below the removable tray holding the fruit.

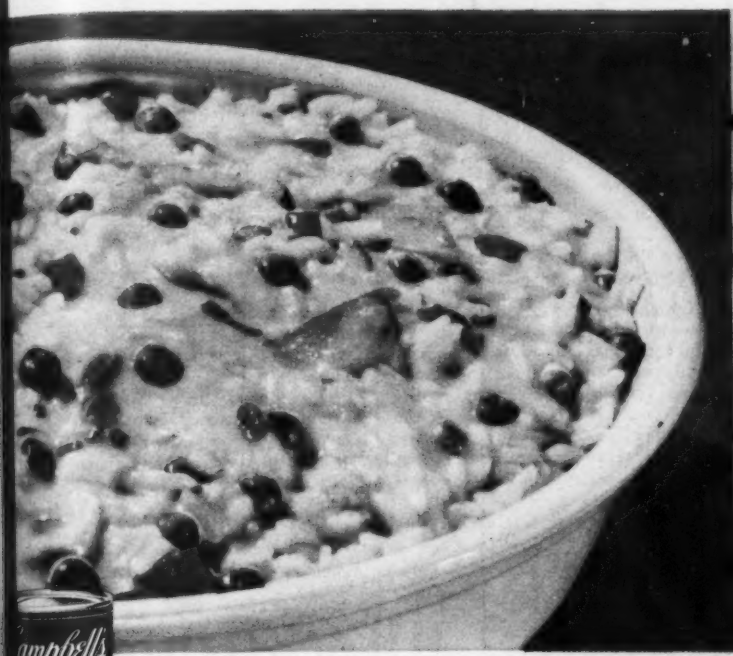
Pickles travel in the jar; sandwiches nestle in miniature basket. Try sandwich combinations such as Swiss cheese and salami on rye with horse-radish butter; peanut butter with pineapple preserves.

Pack celery in tightly covered plastic container, place in ice chest. At cleanup time, toss paper plates and cups away. A picnicker's delight!

***More ideas and recipes on page 95***

# 4 new ways
# o cook chicken!

No doubt about it—chicken's just about everybody's favorite food. And here are four new ways to make it better, tastier — with Campbell's Soup! Planning a company supper on a busy day? Soup-bake your chicken for golden-good eating. No basting! No watching! Or build a party supper around a wonderful new chicken pie or casserole. Want a barbecue dinner—indoors or out? Lively tomato-spiced chicken's the dish for you! There isn't a recipe here someone wouldn't love to come home to — tonight!



**CHICKEN AND RICE CASSEROLE.** In a 1½-quart casserole, blend 1 can Cream of Chicken Soup and ½ cup milk. Stir in 5-ounce can Swanson Boned Chicken, 3 cups cooked rice, 1 cup shredded process cheese, 1 cup cooked peas and ¼ cup chopped pimiento. Bake in a moderate oven (375°F.) about 25 minutes. 6 servings. Makes a wonderful party dish.

**EASIEST BAKED CHICKEN.** Thaw 2 packages Swanson Frozen Chicken Parts; put in shallow baking dish. Blend 1 can Cream of Celery Soup with 1 minced clove garlic; pour over chicken. Sprinkle 1 tablespoon chopped parsley and dash of paprika on top. Bake in a moderate oven (350°F.) about 1 hour or until chicken is tender. 6-8 servings. Good!

**TOMATO BARBECUED CHICKEN.** Thaw 2 packages Swanson Frozen Chicken Parts; brown in 2 tbs. butter or margarine. Stir in 1 can Tomato Soup, ¼ cup sweet pickle relish, ¼ cup chopped onion, 1 tablespoon brown sugar, 1 tablespoon each vinegar and Worcestershire sauce. Cover; simmer about 1 hour or until chicken is tender. 6-8 servings.

**CHICKEN CORN-BREAD PIE.** Cook ½ cup chopped onion in 2 tbs. shortening: add 1 can Cream of Mushroom Soup, ¼ cup milk, 5-oz. can Swanson Boned Chicken, ½ cup cooked green beans in 9-inch pie pan. Mix 1 12-oz. package corn-muffin mix; spoon half batter on top of pie and use rest for muffins. Bake at 400°F. about 25 minutes. 4 servings.

Good cooks cook with *Campbell's Soups*

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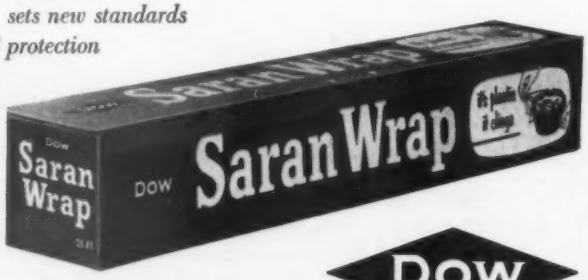


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# Money for your recipes

***Prizes for quick breads; sausage specials***

TRY FOR A cash prize in our new contest. The recipe for your favorite quick bread or sausage special may be our choice! Two Cooks-of-the-Month will each receive $20. Nineteen other winners will receive $5 each. Selected winning recipes will be pictured in the Prize Tested Recipes pages next February. The winners of these 21 prizes will receive the *Better Homes & Gardens* Certificate of Endorsement and six copies of the endorsed recipe.

### *Hints to help you*

**Quick breads.** We mean those loaves, biscuits, pin wheels, muffins you make that are *so good* with any meal. Do you dress up a biscuit mix, packaged refrigerated biscuits, or have a never-fail recipe? Add fresh or dried fruits, or nuts? If you frost or glaze the bread, tell us how you do it. Ideas:

*orange biscuits*
*date-nut bread*
*fruit bran muffins*
*cinnamon rolls*
*cheese swirls*
*banana muffins*
*speedy Bismarcks*
*pineapple-nut bread*

**Sausage specials.** These may be any of your breakfast-to-dinner favorites. Do you use fresh sausage in links or in bulk? Or do you prefer cured, smoked, brown-and-serve, or canned sausage? Your recipe may be for a casserole, meat loaf, skillet dish, dressing, foreign specialty. Suggestions:

*spaghetti-sausage dinner*
*Italian sausage skillet*
*sausage pie*
*lasagne*
*sausage-apple stacks*
*squash 'n sausage bake*

### *This month's winners*

(*See recipes on pages 91 and 92*)

***Cook-of-the-Month for Lemon-y Delights***

Maude E. Skaggs, Tigard, Ore.

***Cook-of-the-Month for Skillet Meals***

Mrs. Arthur L. Field, Park Forest, Ill.

***Other Winners***

Mrs. Jess C. Baker, Solon, Ohio
Virginia Clark, Phoenix, Ariz.
Mrs. Paul E. Jackson, Warren, Pa.
Mrs. Edwin Piper, Hoehne, Colo.
Mrs. Marshall K. Ludwig, Philadelphia, Pa.
Mrs. Warren Stenstrom, Janesville, Wis.

***Honor Roll***

Ruth C. Blake, Richmond, Va.
Mrs. Burdette Boileau, Covina, Calif.
Mrs. F. J. Compton, Bellingham, Wash.
Mrs. J. F. Finnegan, Minneota, Minn.
Mrs. Norman Gray, North Merrick, N.Y.
Mrs. Russell Groner, Sarasota, Fla.
Hugo Hellbusch, Fremont, Nebr.
Mrs. Morris Hoffer, Haven, Kans.
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Mrs. A. A. Muldrew, Jr., Prairie Village, Kans.
Mrs. Walter F. Schuette, Jr., South St. Paul, Minn.
Mrs. Frederick W. Tindley, Wenham, Mass.
Mrs. J. J. Wood, Lynchburg, Va.

### *Contest rules*

1. Write your recipe clearly on one side of the paper. Send but one recipe at a time, and mark it "February Quick Breads" or "February Sausage Specials."
2. Print your full name and address in upper right corner of paper.
3. Give measurements in *level* cups, tablespoons, teaspoons—never in heaping or scant measurements.
4. Be sure to specify in your recipe the brand names of the *nationally* known food products you use as ingredients—products available everywhere. We must know them so we can test your recipe with the same brands you use.
5. Include 50 to 100 words about the origin of the recipe you submit.
6. Recipes submitted become property of *Better Homes & Gardens*.
7. Entries must be postmarked by midnight, July 31.
8. Address the recipes you enter to 5407 Tasting-Test Kitchen, *Better Homes & Gardens*, Des Moines 3, Iowa.

# High Suds? Not in your automatic!

*Too many suds can clog your automatic,* slow down machine action, keep it from running at top speed. Play safe—use new, low-sudsing *Dash* for best machine operation.

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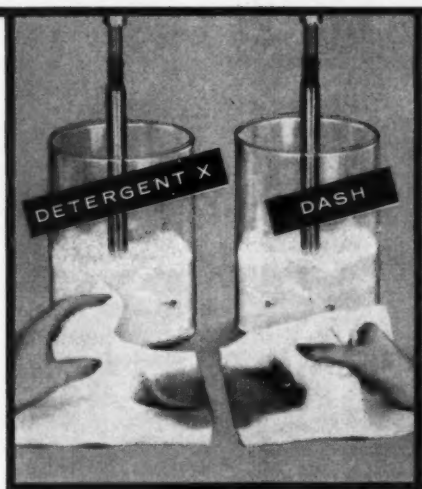
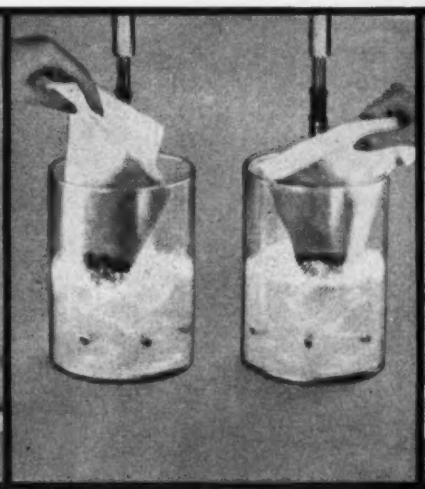
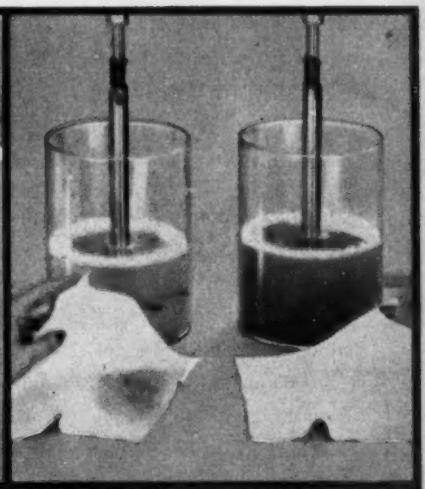



*1. Look! identical soiled cloths* stained with heavy mixture of oil and dirt. In one jar—a teaspoon of new Dash. In the other jar—a teaspoon of another leading detergent.



*2. Now, for the wash-test!* Each of these soiled cloths will be wash-tested in the identical "agitator" jars, at the same speed, for the same length of time.



*3. See! Dash cloth is snowy clean!* Other cloth—*dirty!* Darker water shows Dash routs dirt. Dash gets clothes *cleaner* than any other product made especially for automatics!

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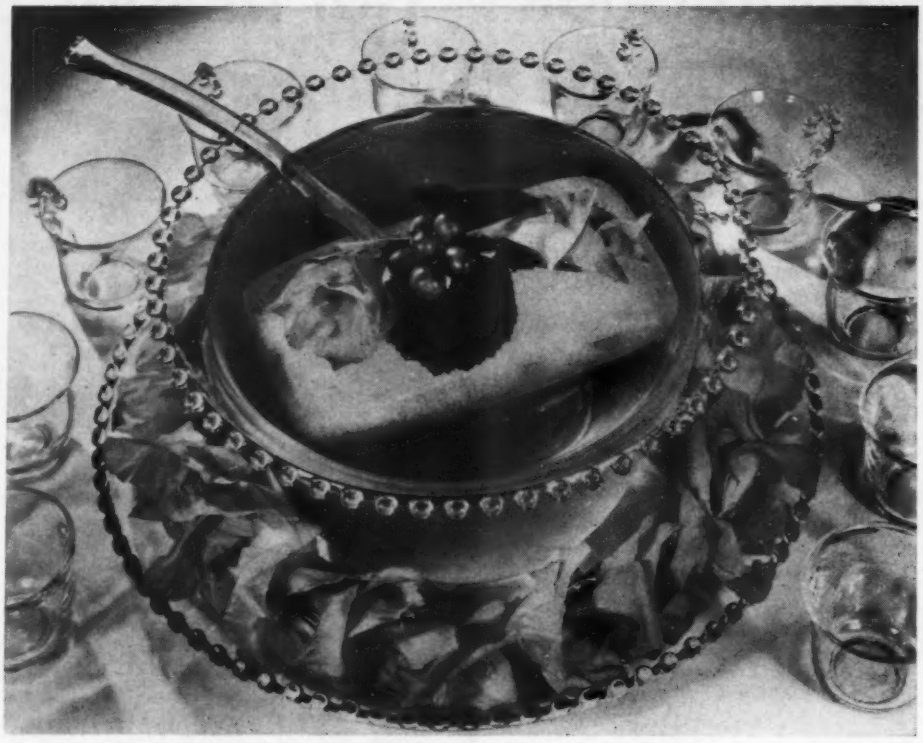
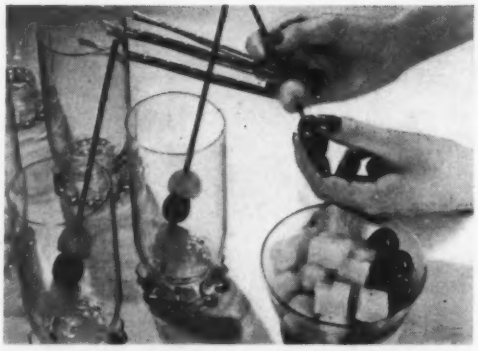


Gladiolus blossoms and a tiny cluster of grapes float atop an iceberg in the punch. You can use the punch bowl for a centerpiece at a party or reception. Place a ring of colorful summer flowers around the bowl

*Frankly Fancy*

# Long, cool drinks



A chunk of pineapple, a big maraschino cherry, and a watermelon ball are speared on the sippers. Make a hole in the fruit with a skewer, then poke the straw through

These drinks look so cool they promise to chase away a heat wave with the first sip. They're tinkling with ice, dressed up with fruit, summer flowers, and snow-frosted rims on the glasses. Fix a tray of tall, icy drinks for the family or guests on July afternoons or evenings when the temperature sizzles above 85 degrees. These photographs show you how to dress up your favorite midsummer drink to make it look as refreshing as it tastes.

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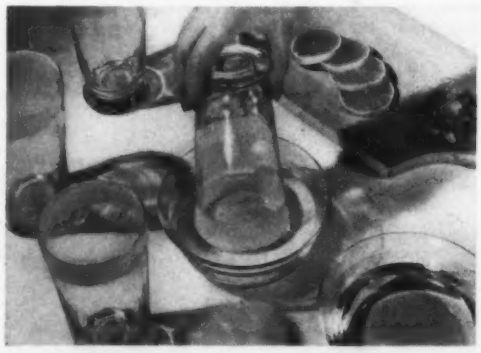


Dip rim of glass in lime or lemon juice, then in sugar. Snip lime slices with scissors to garnish edge of glass

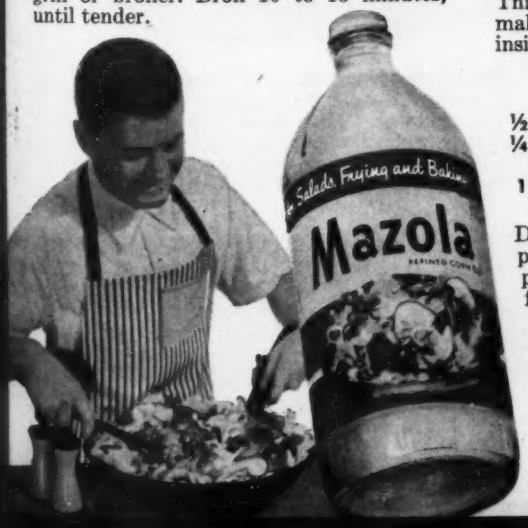
Snow-frosted rims on the glasses make drinks as cool to the eye as the taste. Lime slices straddle glasses' edges

# *Sizzling Ideas* for better barbecues outdoors or IN

**Discover how Mazola® Oil makes everything from salad to sauce—'specially delicious!**

**Let's have Shish Kebab!** Quick marinating sauce: Take a clove of garlic, ½ cup of Mazola Oil, ¼ cup vinegar, ½ teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon dry mustard, ⅛ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce and a dash of cayenne. Blend. Pour over cubed meat in shallow dish. Let stand 1 to 2 hours.

Skewer chunks of beef or lamb alternately with cubes of vegetables. Brush with marinating sauce. Place on pre-heated grill or broiler. Broil 10 to 15 minutes, until tender.




**Approach your barbecue** with a spirit of adventure. But remember, for barbecuing... for baking... for salad dressings... nothing gives food wonderful "golden goodness" like Mazola Oil.

### EASY-DO BARBECUE SAUCE

**2 tbsp. Mazola Oil**
**¼ cup chopped onions**
**1 tbsp. Worcestershire sauce**
**1 tbsp. sugar**
**½ tsp. salt**
**2 tbsp. lemon juice or vinegar**
**½ cup water**
**1 cup chili sauce**

Cook Mazola and onions over low heat, stirring frequently, about 10 minutes. Add remaining ingredients and simmer 15 minutes, stirring occasionally. Remove from heat. Makes about 1½ cups.

**Barbecued chicken:** Brush chicken with Mazola and place on grill or broiler rack. Cook, turning often. Baste frequently with barbecue sauce during cooking. Cook until tender. Serve with hot barbecue sauce.

**Hint to remember**—Brush your meat or fish with Mazola *before* you place it on the grill. This keeps meat from sticking. Mazola makes all meat delicious and juicy on the inside—crusty and brown on the outside.

### COUNTRY GARDEN DRESSING

*(Make it right in the bowl!)*

**½ clove garlic**
**¼ tsp. prepared mustard**
**1 tsp. salt**
**Few grains pepper**
**¼ tsp. Worcestershire sauce**
**1½ tbsp. vinegar**
**4 tbsp. Mazola Salad Oil**

Drop garlic clove in salad bowl. Add prepared mustard, salt and a few pepper grains. Blend thoroughly with fork. Add Worcestershire sauce, vinegar and Mazola. Beat with fork until thoroughly mixed... now add mixed greens and toss. For more than 4 servings, double recipe.

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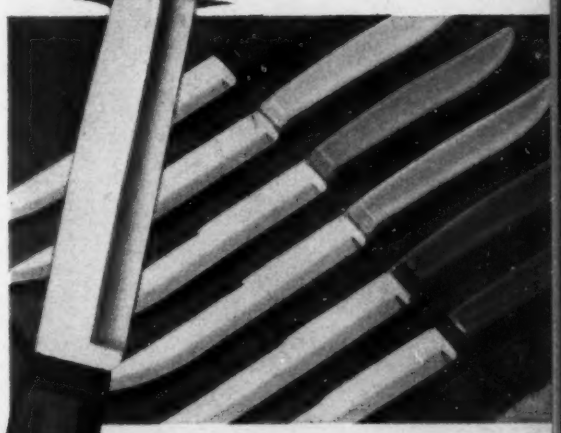

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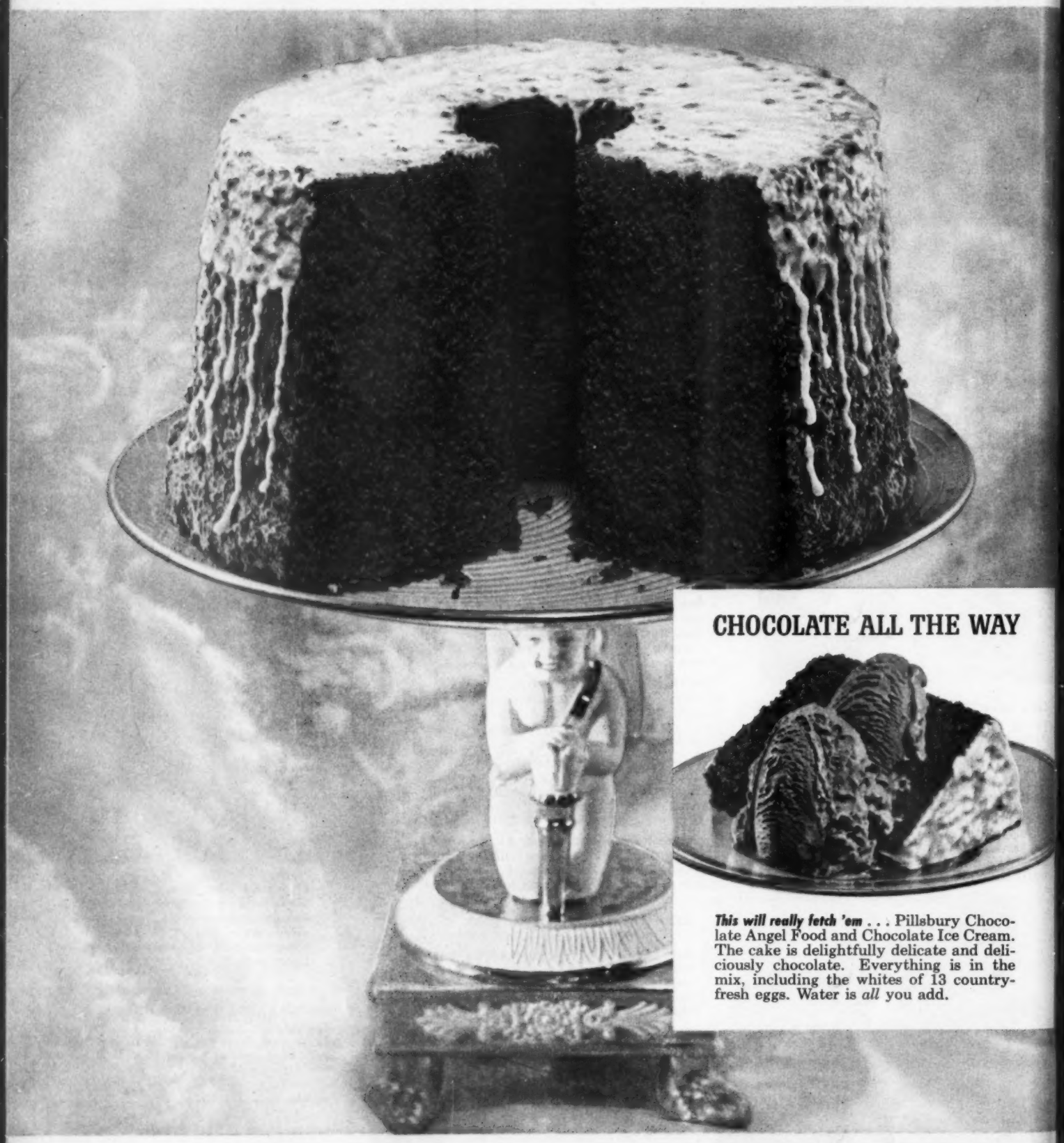


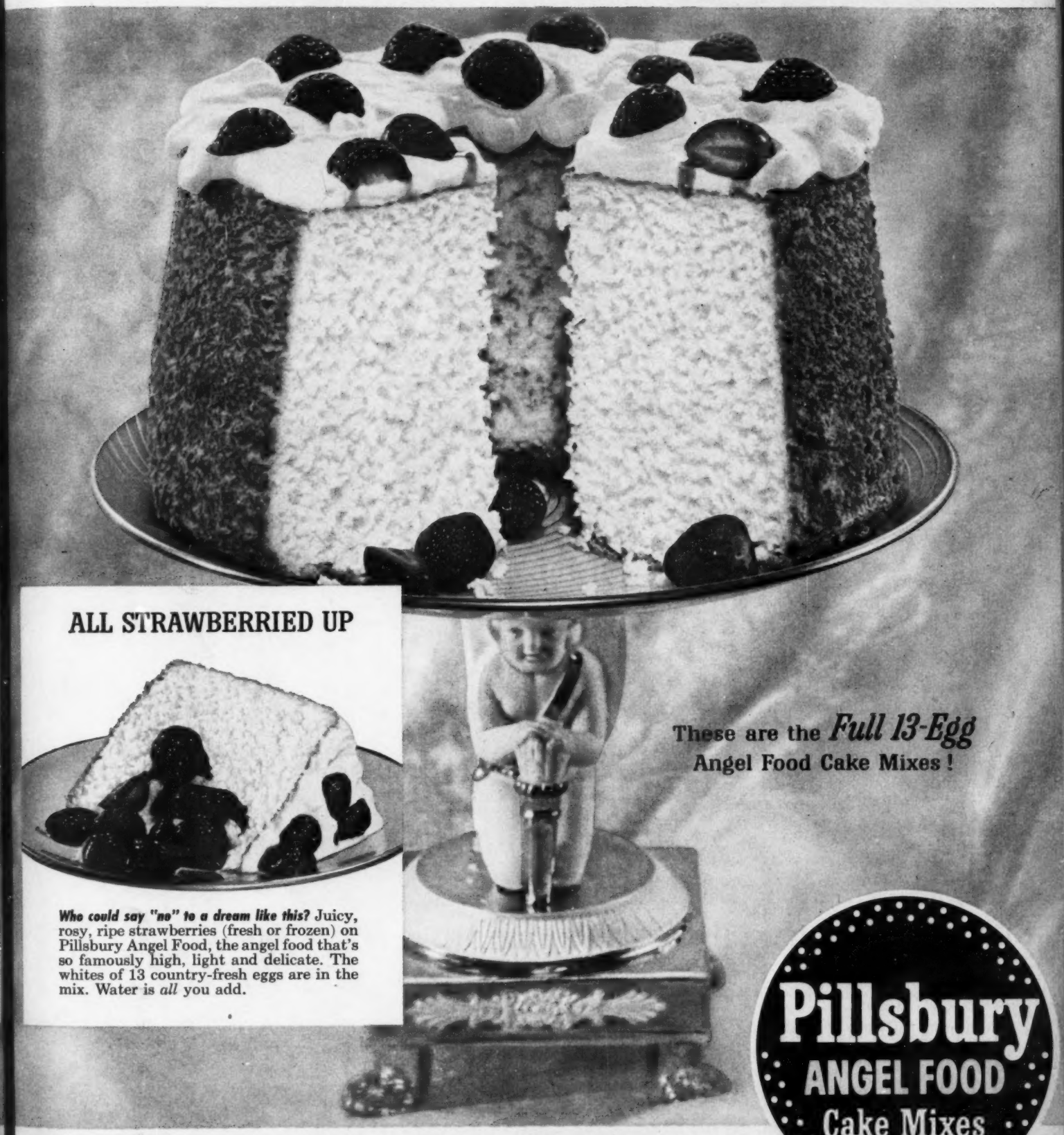
### CHOCOLATE ALL THE WAY

***This will really fetch 'em*** . . . Pillsbury Chocolate Angel Food and Chocolate Ice Cream. The cake is delightfully delicate and deliciously chocolate. Everything is in the mix, including the whites of 13 country-fresh eggs. Water is *all* you add.

## For the woman who puts her heart

# *all dolled up for summer*

## BOTH WITH THE WHITES OF 13 COUNTRY-FRESH EGGS




### ALL STRAWBERRIED UP

***Who could say "no" to a dream like this?*** Juicy, rosy, ripe strawberries (fresh or frozen) on Pillsbury Angel Food, the angel food that's so famously high, light and delicate. The whites of 13 country-fresh eggs are in the mix. Water is *all* you add.

## into every cake she bakes

## NEW IDEA . . . ORANGE COCONUT CREAM PIE . . .

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2. Pour in half of Jell-O Coconut Cream Pie Filling . . . the kind with lots of real shredded coconut already mixed in.
3. Then, a layer of orange sections . . . just about a cup. Pour in rest of filling, chill and top with whipped cream.
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Chocolate
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# Long, cool drinks

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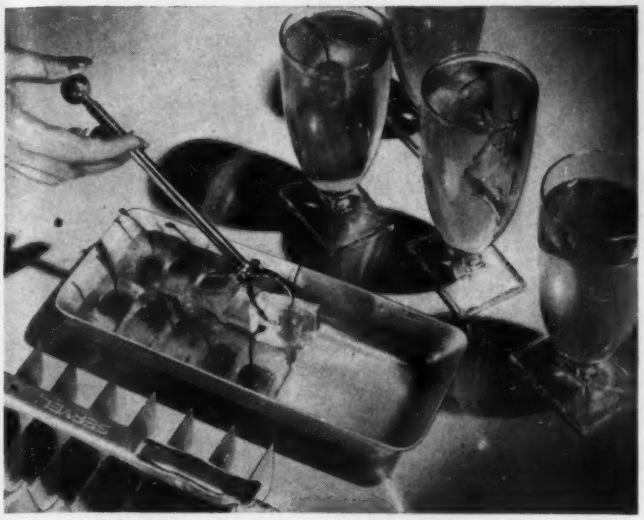
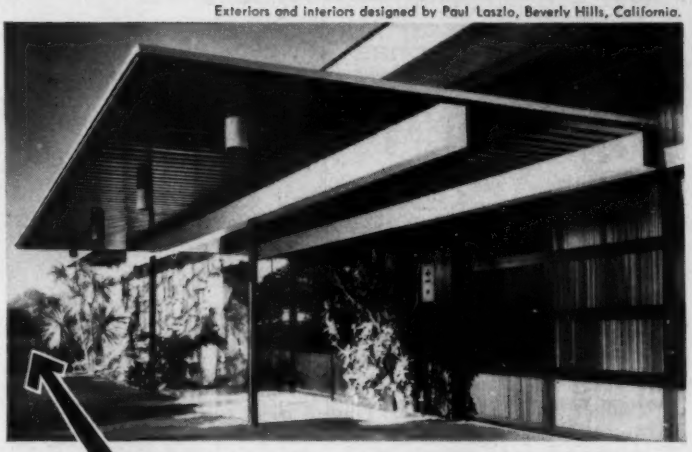


Bright red maraschino cherries frozen in ice cubes add a gay spot of color to summer fruit drinks. Use cherries with stems for perky touch

Round ice cubes in your summer drinks are sure to be a conversation starter. You can buy small plastic trays to freeze the ice cubes round

Here's plenty of crushed ice to make your glasses jingle, the drinks frosty cold. An ice crusher does the job in a hurry, does it neatly


Exteriors and interiors designed by Paul Laszlo, Beverly Hills, California.



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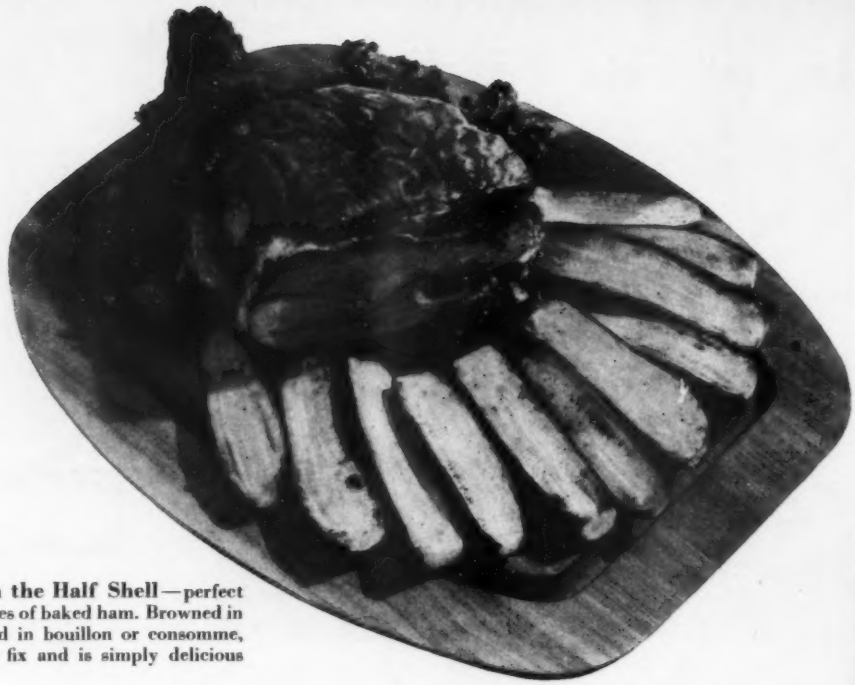

**Zucchini on the Half Shell**—perfect with thick slices of baked ham. Browned in butter, braised in bouillon or consomme, it's simple to fix and is simply delicious

# Don't miss out on zucchini

*By Mercedes A. Bates*

LET THIS little Italian squash add to your vegetable repertoire. Stuffed, French-fried, or sauced, it gives delicate flavor to summertime meals. For a fast fix-up, why not serve zucchini drenched in butter? (First cook it whole, drain, slice in pretty discs, drain again.) And try one of these ways with zucchini from your garden or nearby market.

**Cheese Squash Circles.** Tender slices of zucchini and onion are mixed with grated Parmesan cheese. Pass extra Parmesan for folks who crave lots. It is a lazy-day supper with spaghetti topped with meaty tomato sauce

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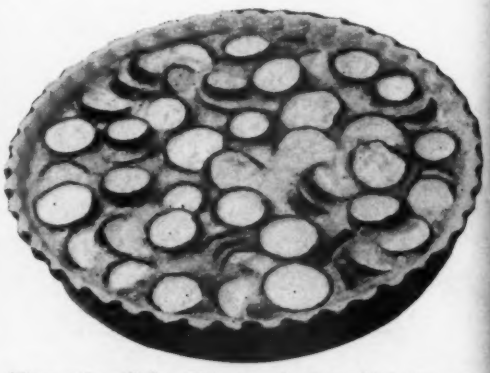
**Stuffed Zucchini** is filled with ground beef, smothered in a luscious tomato-y sauce. Let your guests who are Italian-food fans pour their own favorite oil-and-vinegar dressing blend over the crisp greens for a tossed salad



**Florentine Bake.** Thin rounds of zucchini give sparkle to an old-fashioned egg custard. Sprinkling of paprika is an added beauty touch. Serve with the taste complement of pizzas made with a speedy packaged mix

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¼ cup catsup
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1 tsp. grated horseradish
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½ tsp. Durkee's Flavor Salt
Dash of Durkee's Black Pepper
1 slice bread, moistened with milk

Combine ingredients, mix lightly with fork until blended. Form six patties, handling lightly. Broil on outdoor grill for about 5 minutes on each side. Serve on warm hamburger buns.

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Remove husks from corn. Brush each ear of corn generously with melted Durkee's Margarine and sprinkle with salt and Durkee's Black Pepper. Wrap each ear in freezer-weight aluminum foil and roast 15 to 25 minutes over hot coals. Turn frequently.

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6 hard-cooked eggs
4 Tbsp. Durkee's Famous Sauce

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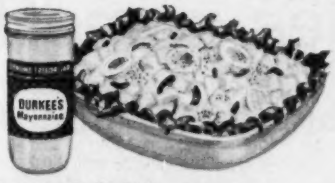


### Potato Salad Supreme

Combine 4 cups cubed boiled potatoes, ⅓ cup chopped green pepper, 2 chopped hard boiled eggs. Add ¼ cup Durkee's Famous Sauce, ¾ cup Durkee's Mayonnaise or Whipped Salad Dressing, 2 tsp. Durkee's Onion Salt, ¼ tsp. Durkee's Paprika, 1 tsp. Durkee's Celery Seed. Mix lightly, garnish with Paprika.

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# Skillet meals

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## Pepper Steak

*Expertly seasoned. Perfect for cook-on-the-porch meal—*

1 pound ¼-inch sirloin tips, cut in serving pieces
2 tablespoons fat
½ cup chopped onion
1 clove garlic, halved
1 teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
1 beef bouillon cube
1 cup hot water
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1 1-pound can (2 cups) stewed tomatoes
1 large green pepper, thinly sliced in rings
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2 tablespoons cornstarch
¼ cup cold water
2 tablespoons soy sauce

Brown meat slowly in hot fat (about 15 minutes); add onion and garlic last few minutes. Season with salt and pepper. Dissolve bouillon cube in hot water; add to meat. Cover; simmer till meat is almost tender, 20 to 25 minutes. Add tomatoes and green pepper; cook 10 minutes longer. Combine remaining ingredients; stir into meat mixture. Bring to boiling; cook, stirring constantly, 5 minutes longer. Remove garlic. Serve with hot noodles. Makes 4 servings. *Mrs. Arthur L. Field, Park Forest, Illinois*

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# Lemon-y delights

## Fluffy Lemon Dessert

*So delicate and light—tops for summertime refreshment!—*

1 envelope (1 tablespoon) unflavored gelatin
½ cup cold water
3 slightly beaten egg yolks
½ cup sugar
½ teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon grated lemon peel
½ cup lemon juice
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1 cup marshmallow creme
3 egg whites
¼ cup sugar

Soften gelatin in cold water. In top of double boiler, combine egg yolks, ½ cup sugar, salt, and lemon peel and juice; cook over simmering water, stirring constantly, till thick. Remove from heat; add gelatin; stir till dissolved. Add marshmallow creme; cool. Beat egg whites till soft peaks form; gradually add ¼ cup sugar, beating till stiff peaks form. Fold into gelatin mixture. Pour into 8x8x2-inch pan; chill till firm. To serve, spread with sweetened whipped cream and sprinkle with chopped nuts; cut in squares. Makes 9 servings.

*Maude E. Skaggs, Tigard, Oregon*

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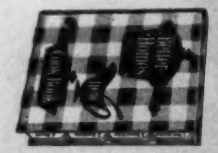

## Lemon Angel Torte

*Tender meringue shell is layered with lemon-y filling and whipped cream—*

4 egg whites
¾ cup sugar
¼ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon cream of tartar

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1 cup heavy cream, whipped
1 recipe Lemon Filling

Preheat oven to very hot (450°). Place egg whites, sugar, salt, and cream of tartar in small mixing bowl; beat at high speed with electric mixer 15 minutes, or till *very stiff* peaks form. Spread in *well-buttered* 9-inch pieplate. Place in preheated oven; *now turn off heat.* Let stand in closed oven 5 hours or overnight (do not peek). Fill torte with half of the whipped cream, then with Lemon Filling. Top with remaining cream. Chill 5 hours. Makes 8 servings. **Lemon Filling:** In top of double boiler, beat 4 egg yolks till thick and lemon-colored. Gradually beat in ½ cup sugar, dash salt, 1 tablespoon grated lemon peel, and 3 tablespoons lemon juice. Cook over simmering water, stirring constantly, until thick (about 5 minutes). Cool.

*Mrs. Warren Stenstrom, Janesville, Wisconsin*

## Lemon-Orange Sherbet

½ cup orange juice
½ cup lemon juice, fresh, frozen, or canned
¾ to 1 cup sugar
1 cup milk
1 6-ounce can (⅔ cup) evaporated milk, chilled icy cold

Combine orange and lemon juices; add sugar. Gradually stir in milk; pour into refrigerator tray. Freeze till firm; break in chunks and beat with an electric beater till smooth*. Whip evaporated milk till stiff; fold into frozen mixture. Return to tray; freeze firm. Makes 6 servings.

*Or freeze till partially frozen; beat smooth with rotary beater.

*Mrs. Paul E. Jackson, Warren, Pennsylvania*

## Lemonade 'n Cake Loaf

1 10x4x2-inch loaf angel cake
1 quart vanilla ice cream
1 6-ounce can frozen pink-lemonade concentrate
1 cup heavy cream, whipped

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1 quart fresh strawberries, sliced and sweetened

Slice cake lengthwise in three even layers. Stir ice cream to soften. With spoon zigzag lemonade concentrate through ice cream till marbled; spread between cake layers. Freeze. About 1 hour before serving time, spread top and sides of loaf with whipped cream. Return to freezer. To serve, slice and top with strawberries. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

*Mrs. Edwin Piper, Hoehne, Colorado*

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## Veal Parmesan

¼ cup enriched flour
1 teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon garlic salt
½ teaspoon paprika
Dash pepper
4 ¾-inch veal loin chops

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½ cup fine dry bread crumbs
¼ cup grated Parmesan cheese
1 beaten egg
2 tablespoons olive or salad oil
4 thin slices Mozzarella cheese
1 pound (about 12) tiny new potatoes, scraped
1 8-ounce can (1 cup) seasoned tomato sauce
1 teaspoon ground oregano

Combine flour and seasonings; coat chops. Mix crumbs and Parmesan cheese. Dip chops in egg, then in crumb mixture. Brown slowly in hot olive oil. Place a slice of Mozzarella cheese atop each chop; arrange potatoes around meat. Pour tomato sauce over; sprinkle with oregano. Cover; simmer 50 minutes or till meat and potatoes are done. Makes 4 servings.

*Mrs. Marshall K. Ludwig, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania*

## Jiffy Shrimp Skillet

Place 1 can frozen condensed cream of shrimp soup in skillet; pour ¾ cup boiling water over. Cover; bring to boiling. Stir in ⅔ cup packaged precooked rice, one 8-ounce package frozen cleaned shrimp, ½ cup diced celery, ½ cup diced green pepper, 1 to 1½ teaspoons curry, ½ teaspoon salt, and dash pepper. Cover; bring to boiling and cook 10 minutes or till rice and shrimp are done, stirring occasionally. Just before serving, add ½ cup sliced pitted ripe olives; sprinkle with ¼ cup toasted slivered blanched almonds. Garnish with parsley. Makes 4 servings. *Mrs. Jess C. Baker, Solon, Ohio*

## Sour-cream Chicken Bake

½ cup enriched flour
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon paprika
½ teaspoon monosodium glutamate
Dash pepper
1 ready-to-cook young chicken, (about 2½ pounds), cut up
⅓ cup fat
8 small potatoes, pared and halved
¾ cup sliced green onions
1 can condensed cream of chicken soup
1 cup dairy sour cream

Combine flour and seasonings; coat chicken. Brown slowly in hot fat. Push chicken to one side of skillet; place potatoes on other side. Top with green onions. Spoon soup over all; cover and simmer about 50 minutes or till chicken is tender and potatoes are done. Pour sour cream over; just heat through, about 5 minutes. Garnish with parsley. Makes 4 or 5 servings.

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# Don't miss out on zucchini

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**Zucchini Italiano**—with sliced tomato and onion for congenial flavor mates. The chef's secret to the subtle seasoning? It's the bay leaf and pinch of basil dropped in the last few minutes. Try with fried chicken

**Zucchini on the Half Shell**

6 small zucchini
¼ cup butter or margarine
1 tablespoon grated onion
1 beef bouillon cube
2 tablespoons water

Trim ends off zucchini; cut zucchini in half lengthwise. Melt butter in large skillet, add onion and bouillon cube; crush cube. Add zucchini, cut side down, and cook till golden brown. Turn; add water and cook, covered, over *low* heat about 10 minutes, or till tender. Makes 5 to 6 servings.

**Cheese Squash Circles**

6 small zucchini, cut in ¼-inch slices
1 medium onion, sliced and separated in rings
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
2 tablespoons water
1 teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
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¼ cup grated Parmesan cheese

In a skillet, combine all ingredients except Parmesan. Cook, covered, 2 minutes; uncover and cook, turning frequently, about 10 minutes, or till tender. Sprinkle with cheese and toss to mix. Makes 4 servings.

**Stuffed Zucchini**

1 pound ground beef
½ cup chopped onion
¼ cup rice
¼ cup milk
2 teaspoons salt
½ teaspoon pepper
½ teaspoon thyme
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8 small zucchini
2 8-ounce cans (2 cups) seasoned tomato sauce

Combine meat, onion, rice, milk, and seasonings; mix well. Cut ends off zucchini; with apple corer, scoop out centers, reserving them for sauce. Fill zucchini loosely with meat mixture. Heat tomato sauce in skillet; lay stuffed zucchini in sauce and add zucchini centers and any leftover meat mixture. Simmer uncovered 1 hour, or till rice is tender, stirring sauce occasionally. Serve with the sauce. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

**Florentine Bake**

6 small zucchini, cut in ¼-inch slices
2 tablespoons butter or margarine
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1 cup evaporated milk
3 slightly beaten eggs
1 teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
¼ teaspoon garlic salt
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¼ teaspoon paprika

Place zucchini in 1½-quart casserole and add butter. Bake in hot oven (400°) 15 minutes, or till zucchini is partially cooked but still crisp. Combine remaining ingredients except paprika and pour over zucchini. Sprinkle with paprika. Set casserole in shallow pan, filling pan to 1 inch with hot water. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 40 minutes, or till knife inserted halfway between center and edge comes out clean. Makes 6 servings.

**Zucchini Italiano**

1 small onion, sliced
2 tablespoons salad oil
2 large tomatoes, peeled and sliced
6 small zucchini, sliced
1 teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon pepper
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½ teaspoon basil leaves
1 bay leaf

Cook onion in hot oil till tender but not brown. Add tomatoes and cook 2 to 3 minutes. Add zucchini, salt, and pepper and cook gently, uncovered, 20 minutes, adding small amount of water if necessary. Add herbs and cook 2 minutes longer. Makes 6 servings.

**French-fried Zucchini**

6 small zucchini, pared
¼ cup milk
½ cup enriched flour
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Salt

Cut zucchini in lengthwise strips as for French-fried potatoes; dip in milk; roll in flour. Fry in deep hot fat (375°) about 5 minutes, or till tender and golden brown. Drain on paper towels. Sprinkle with salt and serve hot. Makes 4 servings.

## Meals that travel

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### *Cookout meal, galley or grill style*

***Kabobs and Hamburgers***
***Roast Corn in the Husk***
***Cups of Molded Fruit Salad***
***Green Onions Carrot Strips***
***Cauliflowerets***
***Slices of Date-Nut Bread with Cream Cheese***
***Watermelon Wedges***
***Coffee Lemonade Milk***

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***Slices of Ham and Cheese***
***Rolled Frankfurter in Bun***
***Carton of Potato Salad***
***Tomato Wedges***
***Olives Pickles***
***Milk or Soup***

### *Toting Tips*

▶ Take a "snack basket" for between-meal munching. You might tuck in a box or two of cookies, cheese and crackers, fresh fruits, canned meat, fruit juice, and peanut butter.

▶ Keep picnic equipment on special shelves, all set to go. Then you won't waste time rounding up gear. Here's a list you may wish to check as a memory jog—

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portable grill
cooking tools
utensils—plastic forks and spoons
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paper towels
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**Foods and containers**

catsup
mustard
salt and pepper
cartons of bottled beverages
containers and materials to pack foods (paper cups with lids, waxed paper, aluminum foil, covered dishes, plastic boxes, paper cartons)

▶ Use vacuum bottles to keep hot foods piping, or cold foods cold. Chill vacuum bottle first by filling with ice water, then with *cold* beverage. Heat by filling with boiling water before adding hot beverage.

▶ Wrap each kind of sandwich separately so flavors don't mingle. If sandwiches will be traveling for more than 4 hours, prepare them this way for safe keeping: Use moistureproof wrapping, place in a covered plastic or metal container; then tuck in portable cooler.

▶ Don't overlook the role of your freezer for sandwiches to go. Frozen sandwiches will stay fresh for several hours. Peanut butter, cooked meat and chicken fillings are fine to freeze. Omit mayonnaise and lettuce when freezing sandwiches—add these at picnictime.

▶ Mold gelatin salads in individual round paper cartons with lids.

▶ Keep salad fixings in the ice chest.

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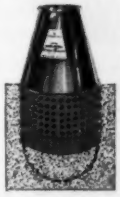

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## Meals that travel

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▸ Wrap vegetable sticks in foil, saran wrapping, or waxed paper. Add to cooler to keep crisp.

▸ Seasoning sauces and condiments travel well in small paper cups with snap-on lids.

▸ Keep individual salt containers and tiny envelopes of pepper on hand; or cover lids of shakers with cellophane tape—no spilling!

▸ Foods that can travel safely without refrigeration:

- cookies, cakes, fruit pies, and doughnuts
- process cheese
- canned meat for sandwiches
- watermelon, cantaloupe, apples, other fruits
- powdered coffee, cream, milk
- cans of baked beans, other canned foods
- potato chips
- tomatoes
- hard-cooked eggs in shell (for one day)

### Supper-in-a-Bun

*Franks plus baked beans with all the seasonings "built in"—*

1 1-pound can (2 cups) baked beans in tomato sauce
¼ cup chili sauce
1 tablespoon prepared mustard
⅓ cup diced sharp process American cheese

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8 to 10 frankfurters, heated
8 to 10 frankfurter buns, split and buttered

Combine beans, chili sauce, and mustard; heat till bubbling. Add cheese; mix just till cheese begins to melt. Meanwhile, preheat wide-mouth vacuum bottle with boiling water; empty; fill with hot bean mixture. To serve, place heated frankfurters in buns and spoon beans over franks. Makes 8 to 10 sandwiches.

**To heat frankfurters:** Preheat a wide-mouth vacuum bottle or jug by filling with boiling water; let stand few minutes. Empty; refill jug almost to top with boiling water, leaving space for franks. When your picnickers are hungry, let frankfurters heat in the water with cover on for 7 to 10 minutes. Remove with tongs.

### Bologna-Cheese Bunwiches

*Recipe makes 6 Bunwiches, but number of servings depends on appetites!—*

½ pound unsliced Bologna, diced (1½ cups)
½ cup diced sharp process American cheese
¼ cup pickle relish
2 tablespoons finely chopped onion
2 tablespoons prepared mustard
2 tablespoons mayonnaise or salad dressing

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6 frankfurter buns, split and buttered

Mix first 6 ingredients; fill buns with mixture. Wrap each bun in aluminum foil. Chill. (For long jaunts, carry wrapped Bunwiches in cooler.) Half hour before time to eat, heat on grill until piping hot or heat in slow oven (325°) about 25 minutes.

**See page 128 for roundup of helpful travel gadgets.**


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RECIPE 2 〉 Carnation lump-free Cream Sauce in

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RECIPE 3 〉 Carnation 3-minute Cheese Sauce in

**TWO-WAY TUNA AND MACARONI CHEESE LOAF**

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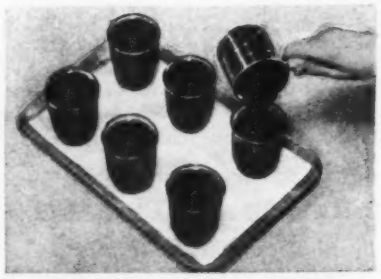

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# The story behind your silverware pattern

TODAY'S ARTISTS in silver, inspired by the glory of tradition and the excitement of the contemporary, work to make the old new and the new old—or combine the two in lovely modern patterns. Here are the stories of a few old and new favorites

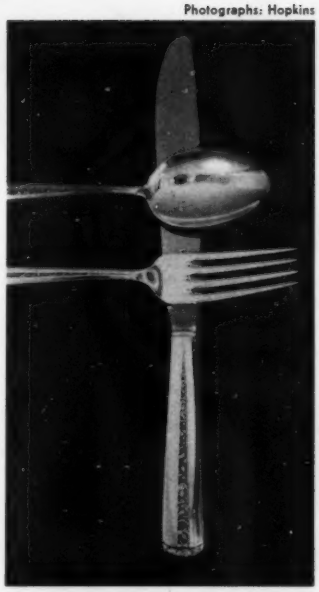
**Reigning Beauty.** Regal simplicity is achieved in this lovely sterling pattern by the classic blending of Modern and Traditional detail.

Clean-swept lines, topped by a crown of royalty, are balanced here in charming harmony.

Photographs: Hopkins

**Theme.** This new sterling pattern, so Contemporary in its design, owes much to Scandinavia for its calm, reflective qualities.

The bold shape of the multiple-use pieces enhances the strength and character of the design.



**Rambler Rose.** Here is a pattern inspired by the charming simplicity of a trim summer garden. Straight, clean shafts of burnished sterling are pierced and topped by a delicate ornamentation of trailing roses.

The simple lines and intricate design make this pattern unusually adaptable to any setting.

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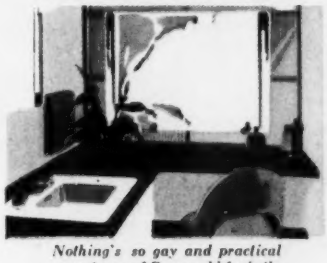

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# *Hot crispies to go with cool meals*

***By Mary Anne Frank***

SUCH GOOD NIBBLING—and so little fuss! Herbed chips and crackers go with tossed salads; sweet fix-ups enhance lush fruit combinations

**Tiny Biscuit Flips:** These hot rolls with a Parker House look are made from refrigerated biscuits. They're flecked with crunchy seeds—so perfect to serve with a fresh green salad.

First roll refrigerated biscuits in ovals, about ⅛ inch thick. Brush lightly with milk. Then sprinkle with toasted sesame seed and pat in. (Another time use celery or poppy seed.)

Cut each oval in half; flip the curved end over straight edge and press as at the right. Bake on an ungreased baking sheet in a very hot oven (475°) about 8 minutes, or till nicely browned.

**Blue-cheese Puffs** (top deck, at right): Blend 1 beaten egg yolk, 1 tablespoon mayonnaise, dash salt. Fold in 1 stiff-beaten egg white.

Spread 16 rich round crackers with blue-cheese spread; pile the egg fluff atop as at left. Bake at 350° about 13 minutes, or till top is set.

**Marmalade "Muffins"** (lower deck): Combine one 3-ounce package cream cheese, 2 tablespoons orange marmalade, ¼ teaspoon salt.

Split, toast, and butter 6 small English muffins; spread with cheese mixture. Top with toasted almonds.

**Thin Rye Curls** (in left corner): Cut tiny "icebox" rye loaf in *paper-thin* slices. Place in single layer on baking sheet; dry in slow oven (300°) till crisp and edges curl, about 30 minutes.

Picture at right shows how they'll look. Dip in hot garlic butter to serve.

**Herb-y Chips** (in center basket): Place large potato chips on baking sheet; sprinkle with marjoram, thyme, or basil. Heat in moderate oven (350°) 5 minutes.

**Caraway Crisps** (top): Spread crisp rye wafers with soft butter; sprinkle with caraway seed. Heat in moderate oven (350°) 4 to 5 minutes.

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# Quick start for fried chicken:

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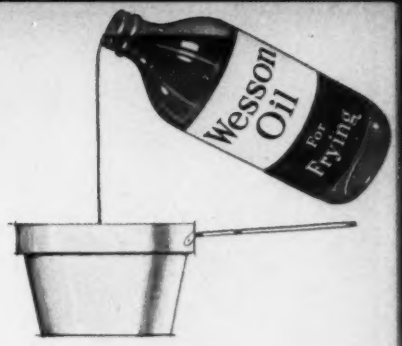

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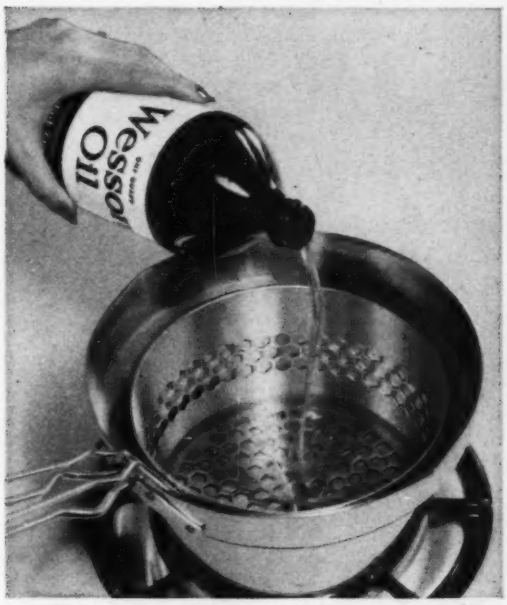


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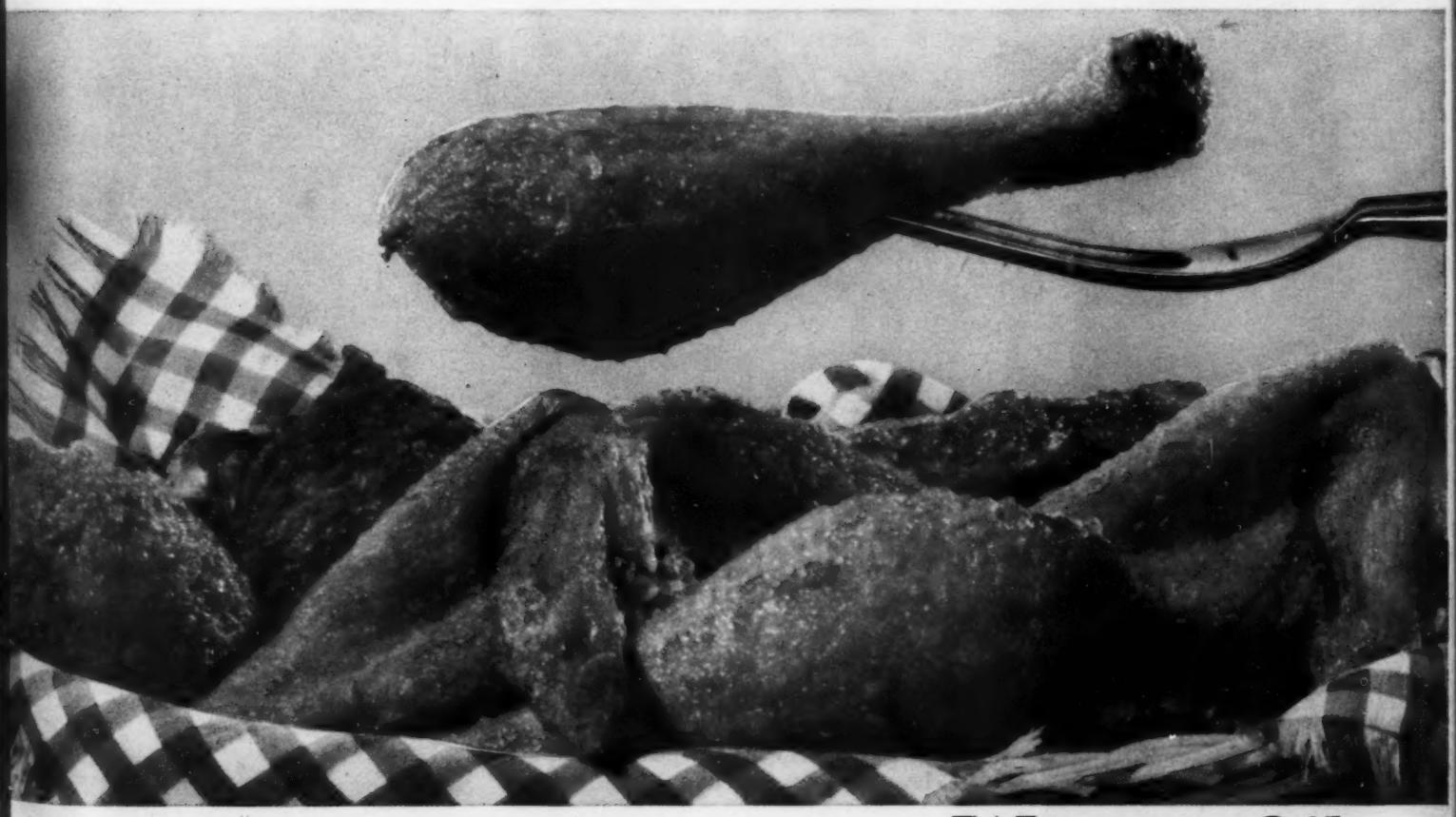

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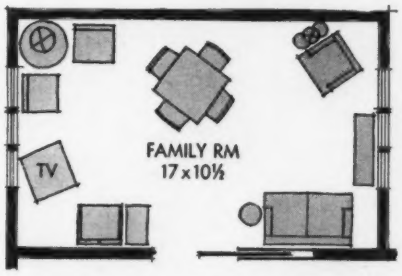
# How's this for space-making?

Imagine how pleasant it is to look from living room or front hall into this lovely view. The real shutters at the windows have been painted a charcoal-green to match those in the wallpaper. Walls, ceiling, and carpeting are all a lighter shade of gray-green that also comes from the wallpaper—another very good room-enlarging trick

***By Lois Rea***

***Papering with a scenic pattern, clever color scheming and furniture blending seem to push back the walls of this small game and family room***




Since the sliding doors into the living room are usually open, the same carpeting was used in both rooms. Unfinished checker game can be left out here on porch where the game table is out of the way.

Drop-leaf cart under windows on right (see picture) makes a perfect place to put TV meals. R. E. Mac Donald home, Clayton, Missouri

Photographs: Hedrich-Blessing. Decorator: Macner's Studio of Interior Design

All one medium wood tone was chosen for the furniture in order to avoid a busy, cluttered effect. A subtle, salt-and-pepper tweed upholstery was put on these two chairs and loveseat (in other picture) for same reason.

The corner grouping makes a comfortable place for televiewing.

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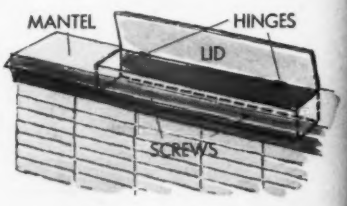
# Ideas for home movie fans

***Any time is movie time for this family—and they've built in everything but the popcorn!***

**Here's the screen.** It's in the mantel, and there's a hinged lid to protect it from dust and to keep the surface flat (see sketch). Pull it up and the screen snaps into place. The Arthur Seilers of Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania, arranged furniture so large chairs stay where they are; smaller ones roll on casters for easy viewing at movie time

Mr. Seiler installed screen. He used a 30x40-inch standard table type in a wooden box.

Then he merely cut a recess in the mantel the dimensions of the box—44x4½x4½ inches. Two screws through bottom of box firmly anchor it.

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**Here's the projector**—and the rest of the equipment—placed directly opposite screen.

Reels, slides, cameras, bulbs—here's shelf room for everything in the wall unit. Nothing blocks the view from projector to screen, 17 feet away.

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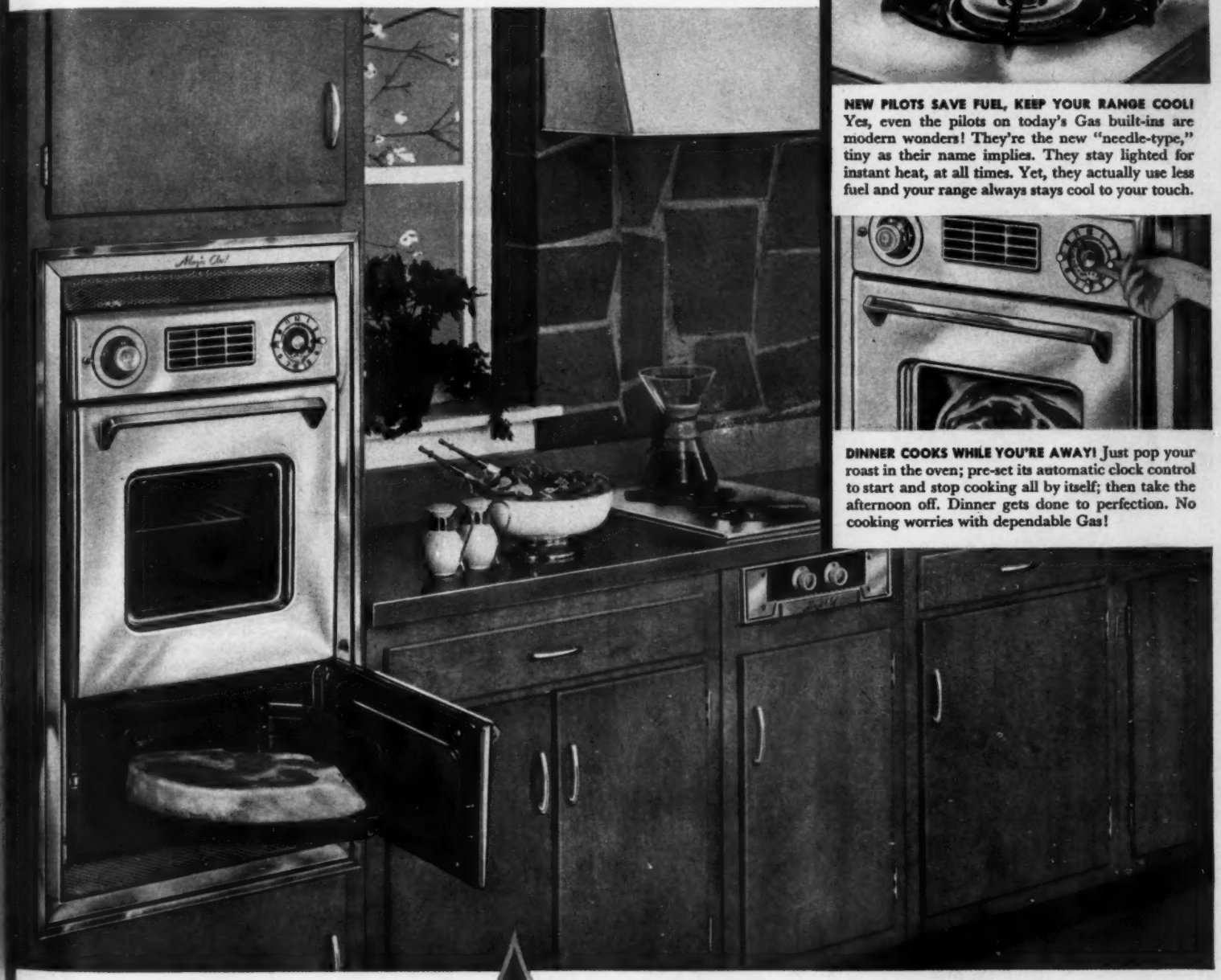

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# Change your way with summer meals

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**Control panel** makes plug-in small-appliance use easy.

Connected to 220-volt line, panel offers five outlets with adequate electricity to operate five appliances at once.

Clock automatically controls three outlets. Here panel is in custom-built cabinet that has niche for each appliance.

Panel may also be installed in kitchen cabinet or built into wall. It's ideal for porch, too, if wiring's adequate.

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**Speed pan washing.** Miracle finish on baking pan lets loose of the meat loaf without prying. Just a quick rinse does the cleaning for you.

There's no sticking either with silicone-treated paper bake cups in muffin pan.

These silicone liners slip off easily so little cakes and muffins keep their figure.

**Save steps**—wheel meals to the porch or terrace in one or two easy trips.

Use cart also for clearing off table and stacking dishes, and for delivering your ironed clothes to storage drawers where they belong.

Laminated plastic top of new serving cart pivots, so ledge of perforated black metal can be used as shown. Shelf, top resist heat, stains.

Bottom shelf lifts out and can be set on top to make a portable table that is 36x30 inches big. Frame is chipproof.

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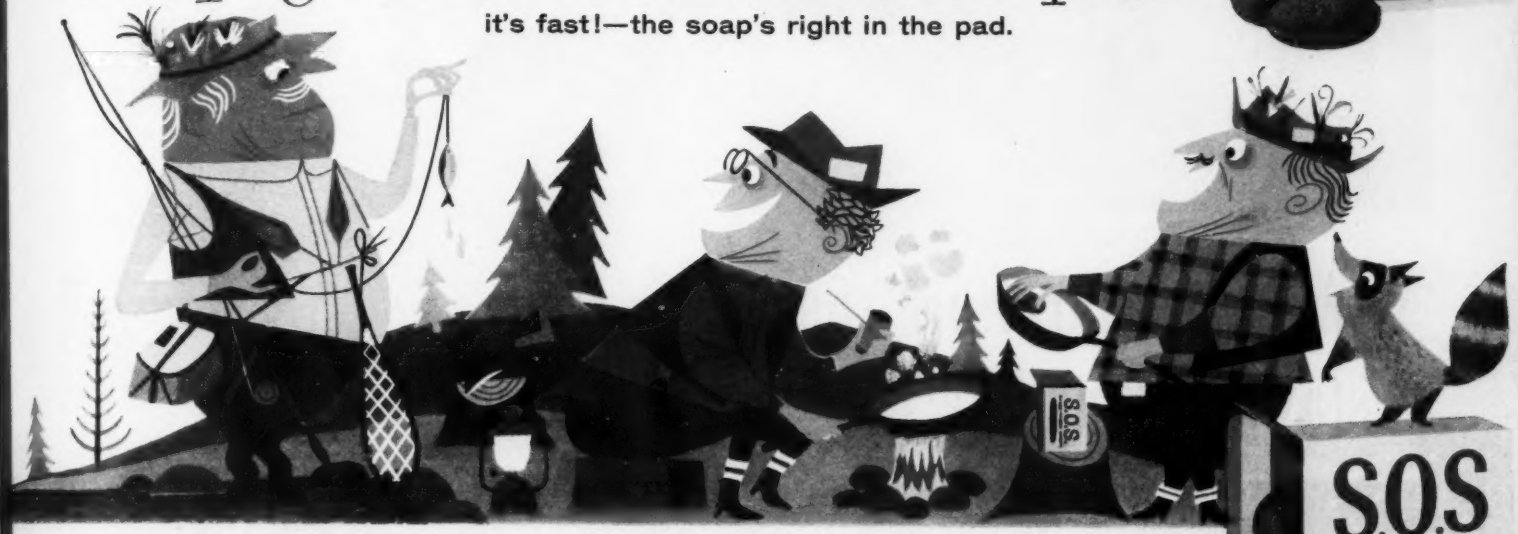

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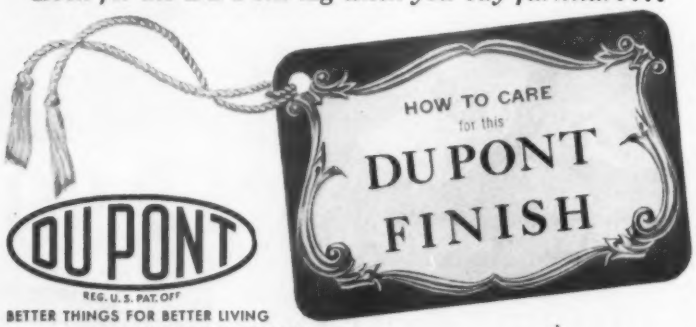


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# Change your way with summer meals

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**Toss 'em** away and skip the clean-up! Any torrid day is excuse enough for paper dishes, napkins, tablecloths.

Choose paper helpers to fit the occasion. Some are so handsome they look at home on your buffet table; others go gaily along on picnics.

You'll find ensembles like the polka-dotted set, divided plates, plastic-coated dishes for hot or juicy foods, hot- and cold-drink cups.

**Cut your dishwashing** with pretty casseroles—pottery, aluminum, glassware, or enameled cast iron—that can sail from oven to the table.

Skillets, too, will double as servers, or even as plates! For instance, the spade-shape one, left. The handle is wicker-wrapped, stays cool.

The cast-iron griddle cooks bacon in one section, two eggs in the square "pockets."

**Be picnic-ready** with temperature protection for your traveling lunch.

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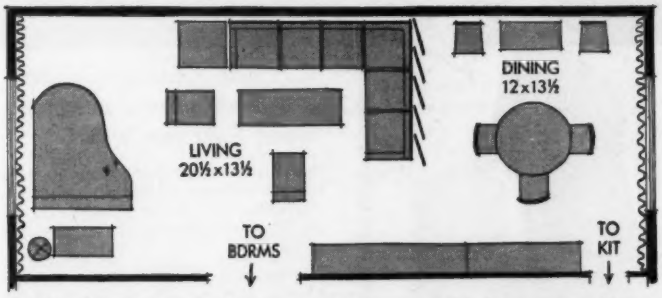
# How is your home's personality?

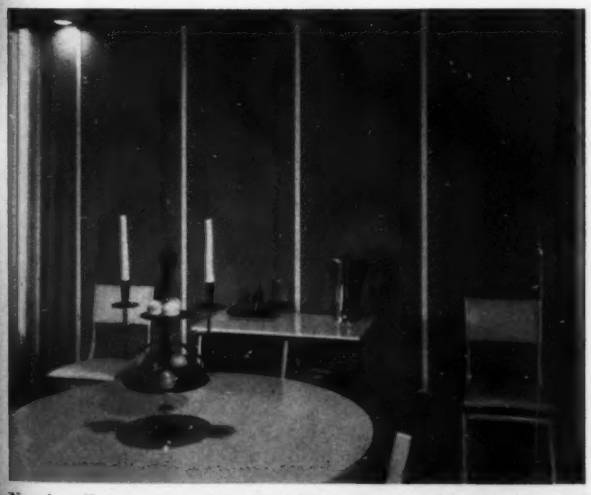
HOW can you give a room personality? Start with furnishings that have character. Keep them simple but distinctive, and not overdone in decorative detail. For drama, add accessories

Use of distinctive furnishings gives the living-room conversation grouping an unusual flavor. Four suspended lanterns make a striking accent against the textured wallpaper. Pattern for sofa was chosen to fit size of cushions and to contrast with the solid colors

Woven screen panels make an unusual divider between living and dining areas, giving privacy to each area without cutting down the visual size of the room. Brass rods at top and bottom of each panel are screwed into ceiling and floor, at slight angle for overlap




Sectional sofa is key to furniture arrangement in this long, narrow living-dining room. One section of sofa at right angle helps to separate the areas



Novel wall treatment gives the dining area a striking background. Wide grosgrain tape is fastened near floor and ceiling with decorative brass-knobbed screws. Dining chairs are upholstered in white and black leather for bold contrast. Teacart provides serving space

Picture-gallery arrangement over the hanging cabinets running along one wall of the living-dining room adds a spacious feeling. Other walls in the room are left plain for smart contrast

*More on page 124*

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# Easy fix-ups for salad dressings

Reach in our salad bowl of tricks for speedy new ways with salad dressings. Add a few flavor plusses to your favorite French dressing or brand of mayonnaise. Here are ideas to give a tangy flair to the season's fruit and fresh greens

***By Virginia Newman***

**Dutch Dressing**—fluffy and pretty with flecks of caraway seed and sharp cheese to give zest to a crisp vegetable salad. Combine ⅔ cup salad dressing and 3 tablespoons of light cream. Then add 1 teaspoon caraway or dill seed and ¼ cup finely slivered, sharp American cheese

**Rosy Fruit Topping.** Lime juice and tart-sweet cranberry sauce give the refreshing tang to this French dressing. Beat till smooth ¾ cup canned jellied cranberry sauce; *gradually* beat in ¾ cup salad oil. Now slowly blend in ¼ cup lime or lemon juice and 1 teaspoon salt

**French Pickle Sauce.** Here's a zippy dressing straight from Peter Piper. Team it up with a summer buffet platter of rolled-ham slices or assorted cold cuts with cauliflowerets and green-pepper rings. Mix ¼ cup mustard-pickle relish with ¾ cup creamy French dressing

**Sour-cream Smoothie**—a delightful dip for crunchy cucumber sticks or a peppy salad dressing to ladle over tomatoes. Combine 1 cup dairy sour cream, ½ cup mayonnaise, ¼ cup chopped chives, 2 tablespoons tarragon vinegar, ½ teaspoon salt, dash white pepper

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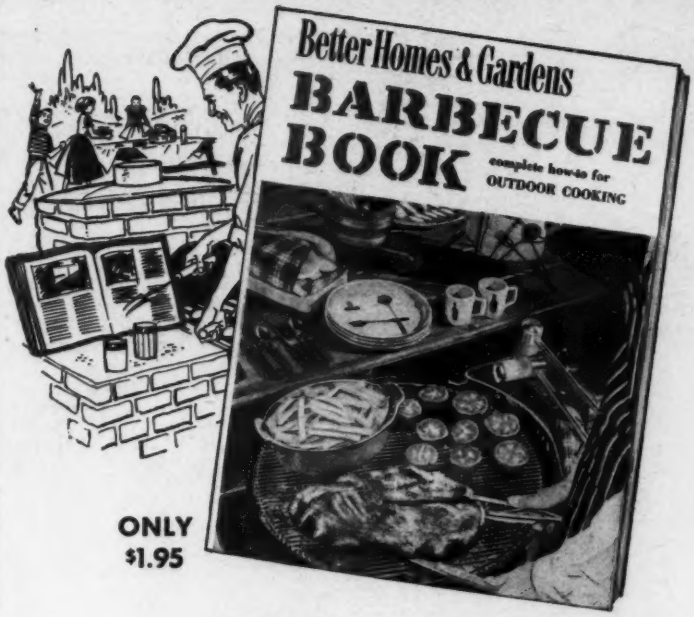
**Mock Hollandaise.** Looking for a quick way to sauce cooked broccoli or green beans? Blend ½ cup mayonnaise, 2 tablespoons prepared mustard, few drops Tabasco. Stir about 4 minutes over *low heat*, spoon over vegetables—the family will say you're a mighty smart cook!


# New book helps Dad cook!

**Complete "how-to" from the Foods Editors of *Better Homes & Gardens* covers every step from starting the fire to serving "seconds"!**

**Family meals** are being cooked *outdoors*. Whether it's a meal at home or an invitation to the neighbors, it's likely to be a *cook-out*. And who does the cooking? The *man* in the family.

The man in *your* family wants to cook, too. And if you want Dad to be proud of his skill with a skillet, of his own specialties on a spit, see that he gets a copy of the new *Better Homes & Gardens* BARBECUE BOOK. Then he can entertain as skillfully as any "charcoal chef" he knows.

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**Daisy-fresh Soup.** A double-cooler, made with buttermilk and cucumber. With well-chilled ingredients, you can mix this just before serving, if you like; or make it ahead and let it ripen in the refrigerator. Serve it in gay-colored cups, from a fat pitcher—just out of whimsy

**Quick Chilled Borsch.** Easy as can be, and *so good!* Made by combining canned tomato soup, juice drained from canned beets, and seasonings. No cooking required. Just chill till serving time. Fun to serve from a soup tureen, in outsize cups if you have them. Top with a generous dollop of salted whipped cream or sour cream

# Try chilled soups

## *for supercoolers*

Be prepared for a taste treat! Famous restaurants have built their reputations on some of these chilled soups. A refreshing starter for summer meals—they take little cooking, if any, and most of the "work" is done by your refrigerator. Last-minute fuss is banished—just serve, and add a fluff of garnish. Give soup bowls a quick chill in your freezer, or nestle the bowls in a jacket of crushed ice—helps keep these soups cold to the last spoonful. Go-withs: an assortment of crispy crackers.

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**Curried Chicken Soup.** You start with canned soup; add milk and seasonings, then chill. Serve this right from the refrigerator, or keep it at its chilly best by placing in an attractive ice bucket designed to keep things cold. Garnish with dewy-fresh sprigs of water cress if desired

**Tomato Frappe.** Add seasonings to canned tomato juice, and freeze. Start this early so it will be thoroughly frozen by the time you want to use it. A quick whipping, and it's ready for the table. Dress-up touch: Keep soup frosty cool by setting bowls in holders packed with finely crushed ice

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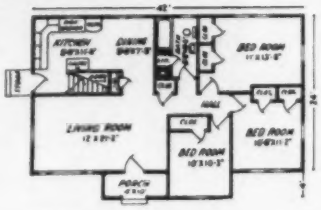


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# Try chilled soups

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**Vichyssoise.** A winner for guest meals. It's cooked a short time, then thoroughly chilled.

Here it's served in a divided bowl with ice in one end to keep it cold.

### Daisy-fresh Soup

*A surprise that's fresh-tasting, pleasantly tart. The crunchy bits are cucumber—*

- 2 cups pared, finely diced cucumber
- 1 quart buttermilk
- 1 tablespoon chopped green onion
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ¼ cup finely chopped parsley
- ½ teaspoon monosodium glutamate
- Dash pepper

Combine ingredients. Mix well. Cover, and chill thoroughly. Mix again just before serving. Garnish with slices of unpared cucumber, parsley sprigs. Makes 6 servings.

*Coming in August*

## New color schemes

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### Curried Chicken Soup

*Creamy smooth and seasoned right to perk up heat-jaded appetites—*

- 1 can condensed cream of chicken soup
- Milk
- ½ teaspoon curry powder
- ½ cup chopped water cress or 3 tablespoons chopped parsley

Empty soup into a bowl; add an equal quantity of milk, and the curry powder. Mix well; chill for several hours. Just before serving, stir in water cress or parsley, and pour into well-chilled bowls. Garnish with a sprig of water cress. Makes 3 to 4 servings.

### Quick Chilled Borsch

*Bright-hued, and has a delicious, zingy flavor—*

Pour contents of 1 can condensed tomato soup into bowl. Add equal measure of liquid drained from canned beets, ½ teaspoon salt, and ¼ teaspoon grated lemon peel. Mix well; chill. Serve in chilled cups; top with a spoonful of salted whipped cream or sour cream; dust with paprika, if desired. Makes about 4 servings.

### Tomato Frappe

*Frosty cold and zesty—just the thing to beat the heat—*

- 1 No. 2 can (2½ cups) tomato juice
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1 teaspoon horse-radish
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 2 dashes Tabasco sauce
- Dash onion salt
- Dash celery salt

Combine all ingredients; mix well. Pour into refrigerator tray. Freeze firm; when ready to serve, break in chunks and beat with electric or rotary beater till smooth.* Serve in chilled bowls; garnish with parsley or spoonful of mayonnaise, if desired. Makes 4 to 5 servings.

*Or freeze mixture till partially frozen. Beat smooth with rotary beater.

### Vichyssoise

*A gourmet-style beginning for summer meals—*

- ⅔ cup thinly sliced leeks or scallions (white part only)
- 1 medium onion, thinly sliced
- ¼ cup butter or margarine
- 5 medium potatoes, thinly sliced (about 4 cups)
- 4 cups chicken broth*
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 2 cups milk
- 2 cups light cream
- 1 cup heavy cream

Cook leeks and onion in butter until slightly transparent; add potatoes, broth, and salt. Simmer 35 to 40 minutes. Rub through fine sieve; blend in blender or beat till smooth with electric mixer or rotary beater. Return to heat; add milk and light cream. Bring to a boil; cool. Chill. Add heavy cream. For very smooth soup, strain again through very fine sieve. Serve garnished with finely chopped chives. Makes 8 servings.

*You can use canned chicken broth or dissolve 6 chicken bouillon cubes in 4 cups hot water.

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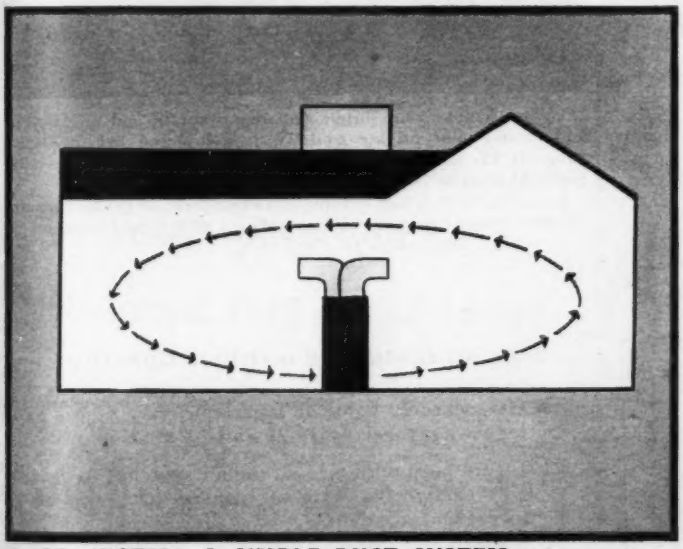

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Install 150-watt projector or spot lamps (weatherproof) on trees, buildings, or telescopic poles as shown here.

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It's easy to make your shrubs and trees dramatic and to glamorize and extend your private world with well-placed lighting. Place lamps at 45- to 90-degree angles to most-used view point—never aim light head-on because this gives a flat effect.

Use adjustable spiked fixtures and experiment to get best results. 150-watt projector spots can be combined with flood lamps.

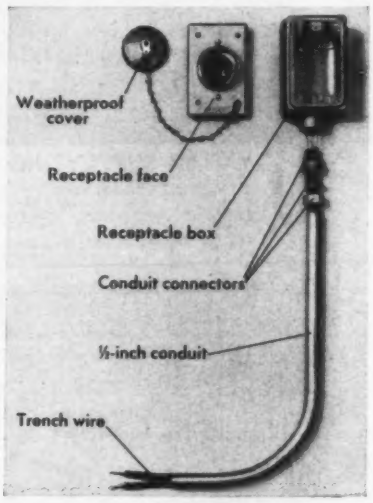
*New outdoor lights on page 54*

# Good lighting makes late hours safe

A welcome light is one that lights steps or any spot where you change direction, grade, or underfooting.

Use 25- to 60-watt bulbs in any of the several mushroom-type fixtures. This one with street number is a boon to first-time visitors.

### *Safe weatherproof outlet*




Electrical contractors supply these or recommend safe but cheaper USE or UF wire

### *Tips on installing outdoor lighting*

- Have outdoor lights on separate circuit. Check local regulations, usually 15-20 ampere loads allowed.
- Install both outdoor and indoor switches to control outdoor lighting—they discourage groping and so prevent accidents.
- Install several convenience outlets where they can be used daytimes as well, for radio and cooking appliances.
- Where possible, gain safety by avoiding deep shadows—direct light from two or more directions.
- Take advantage of existing reflective surfaces such as house walls to bounce and diffuse light.
- Avoid extension cords and all temporary wiring except for short-time use.
- Have all outdoor extensions you make to existing wiring checked by qualified electrical inspector.

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# Travel tricks

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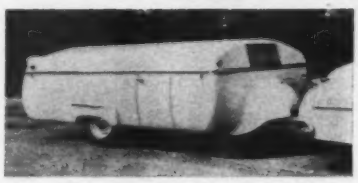

**Hand crank opens this 1,100-pound plastic trailer in 60 seconds to give 6 feet 3 inches inside headroom.**

**Two-burner stove, ice box, water tank, and inner-spring mattresses are inside.**

**Closed for traveling, this trailer is 48 inches high.**

screening—applied with masking tape around open windows.

Some tourists have discovered the new lightweight, "quick-set" tents. One, made by a famed sailmaker, is a light tent, complete with "porch" (assembled with light metal rods). It folds into a small package. There's a "Cabanatent" that comes in a small bag and "springs" rigidly open in 7 seconds. Another big four-man tent is 6 feet high, 10 feet long inside, and has a 14-foot canvas extension corridor that attaches to the top of your car with "tension cords" that go over the car. This gives you a wind-and-rainproof "breezeway" you can use even on rainy days. When connected to the open tailgate of a station wagon, you can carry bedding and other objects to and from car without getting wet in a downpour.

### How to pick a good hotel or motel

In big city hotels, try for high rooms, above hot traffic fumes and street noises. Ask for rooms away from the kitchen side; early morning garbage collectors slam cans around and awaken tens of thousands of hotel guests in cities every day. In motels, try for rooms at the back, away from road noises. On busy truck routes, try for rooms that are "sound-screened" by trees, hillsides, or other buildings. Remember—trucks change gear going uphill, going downhill they backfire! Beware of a room near a traffic light. And be sure the walls are *really* soundproof. A radio in the next room, or a party, can spoil your night's sleep.

*Western Union* now will make your reservations in any town, and will try as many as six different hotels or motels. To be sure of getting a reservation, *mail a deposit* to the motel or hotel. It will be refunded if you have to cancel, provided you cancel in time.

When you leave your car at night, after unloading, walk around it and check the ground. Motel owners say many people drop personal possessions while unloading.

### How to solve your eating problems

U. S. roadside meals suddenly are getting better—probably due to increasing competition. But it's still a good idea to choose your restaurant with care. In a city, a hotel coffee shop is often excellent and inexpensive. And service is usually fast.

A survey of travelers produced other hints on selecting a good eating place. You can tell a lot by (1) the *appearance* of cars parked outside, (2) the *absence* of cars at mealtime, (3) the *condition* of the driveway, lawn, and signs, (4) the noisy atmosphere of jukeboxes, (5) the *smell* of food cooking (good or bad).

Contrary to common belief, you *cannot* judge an eating place by the number of trucks parked outside.

You can save lots of money (and time) if, during a 10 a.m. coffee stop, you pack sandwiches for lunch. Then you can lunch in your car en route.

### How to figure travel costs

The A.A.A. suggests: *gas and oil*, allow 3½ cents a mile, perhaps more (depending on your kind of car); *motel-hotel*, $8 to $10 a day for two or three; *meals*, $8 to $10 for two; *fun and souvenirs*, $2 a day and up; *tips*, this is seldom necessary except for bellhops and waiters (tipping is almost unknown in most motels); *tolls*, figure these on the basis of where you expect to travel.

### Other tips

To save time, have your car serviced during lunch. . . . Garment bags are a great help; if you don't use them, a large cardboard box is good for protecting jackets. Lay it flat in the trunk. . . . Take advantage of free route planning offered by nearly 2 dozen major gasoline and oil companies. Besides detailed routings, de luxe road maps and descriptive folders, these firms will provide answers to questions about hay fever, mosquitoes, good fishing spots, and where a gourmet can find a rare dish in the area you plan to visit. . . . For driving on hot days, buy an automobile "air scoop" and attach it to your window sill; it blasts cool air down to your feet. . . . Select sunglasses carefully; they rest your eyes but some are too dark. . . . If you're a woman and your hairdo blows, wear one of the new sports-car caps; they're practical and smart.

### How to end a trip gracefully

Coming home from a vacation must be planned, too. Don't let the last day's travel spoil everything. You want to arrive home fresh and relaxed. Never fight your way home through Sunday or holiday traffic. Make the last day's trip a short one. Drive home leisurely—before noon, if possible.

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***Save this check list for your next trip, and add any item necessary***

- ☐ Windows, doors locked?
- ☐ Refrigerator checked?
- ☐ Leave key with neighbor?
- ☐ Leave one or more lights burning to discourage prowlers?
- ☐ Stop milk and newspaper deliveries, and arrange mail delivery?
- ☐ Tell friends where you'll be and give them your license number?
- ☐ Is car serviced?
- ☐ Check auto insurance?
- ☐ Any bills or notes coming due while you're away?
- ☐ Expect any important calls?
- ☐ Car registration and driver's license?
- ☐ Arrange care for pets?
- ☐ Ask police to watch house?
- ☐ Take blanket, pillows?
- ☐ Aspirin and medicines? First-aid kit?
- ☐ Travelers' checks and credit cards?
- ☐ Shut off gas heater?
- ☐ Travel iron?
- ☐ Camera?
- ☐ Flashlights?
- ☐ Thermos jugs or cooler bags?
- ☐ Portable radio?
- ☐ Sunglasses and field glasses?
- ☐ Games, toys, books?
- ☐ Bottle warmer and disposable diapers?
- ☐ Bathing suits?
- ☐ Tennis, golf, fishing gear?
- ☐ Fishing licenses?

# Which Wife is Yours?

Exhausted, wilting . . . breathing hot, humid dust- and pollen-laden air. Can't seem to get anything done—feels listless and bored. Obviously there's no air conditioning in this kitchen.

Peppy, enjoying her day . . . delightfully cool and breathing the cleanest, purest, freshest air possible, because her kitchen is air conditioned with a new Electronically-Advanced RCA WHIRLPOOL.

## *Stop tiring, irritating Summer heat—with a new RCA WHIRLPOOL Electronic Filter Air Conditioner!*

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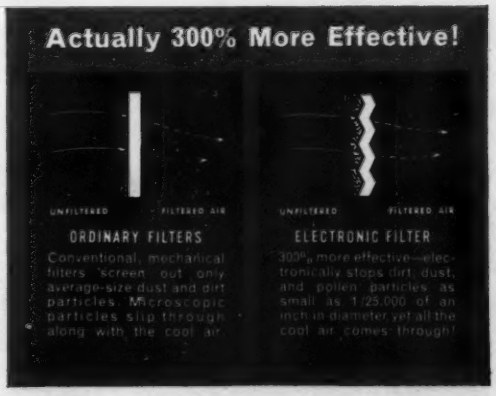


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# How is your home's personality?

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Narrow shelf at end of one sofa bed does the job of a table to give this corner of room more convenience.

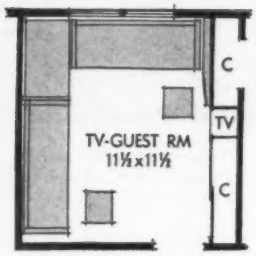
Shelf tapers gracefully at the front to save space.

Space is stolen in closet of the same room to house television, radio, phonograph, and phonograph-record storage.

Record-storage section has its own door, but this music side can be closed off by sliding closet door across.

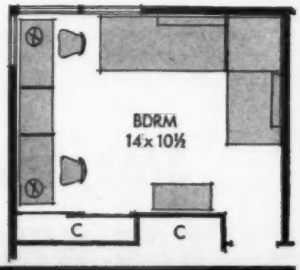
At right, there's still space in the closet for guests' clothing or miscellaneous items.

In the television/guest room, a large woven blind of varicolored hemp sets a rich background for simple-lined furniture. Accessories —such as fruit bowl, planter, vase—are important-looking, interest-catching. Sofas convert to twin beds; table stores bedding




Arrangement shows a good way to get plenty of seating space and convenience in a small room without crowding.

Foam-rubber-cushioned stools can be used either as footrests or benches when extra seating is needed for televiewers.




Sectional pieces: desks, chest fit together to make a compact, space-saving arrangement when placed flat to wall in a small bedroom.

Grouping leaves plenty of free space in center of room.

Match a bedroom's scheme to the personality of its owner. Here, a gay butterfly pattern sets the mood of this room for a pair of lively young girls. The pattern is repeated throughout the room for a unified effect. Note the use of blinds with valance and low sash curtains to decorate the windows and yet let in plenty of light when desired

In the same room, one bed slides under special corner table to make the best use of space. Bed is easily rolled out for sleeping. Note how the butterfly pattern is centered on the toss pillows. The colors from this pattern are repeated in the other furnishings of the room to tie the scheme together. From the Arthur Rogers home, Long Island

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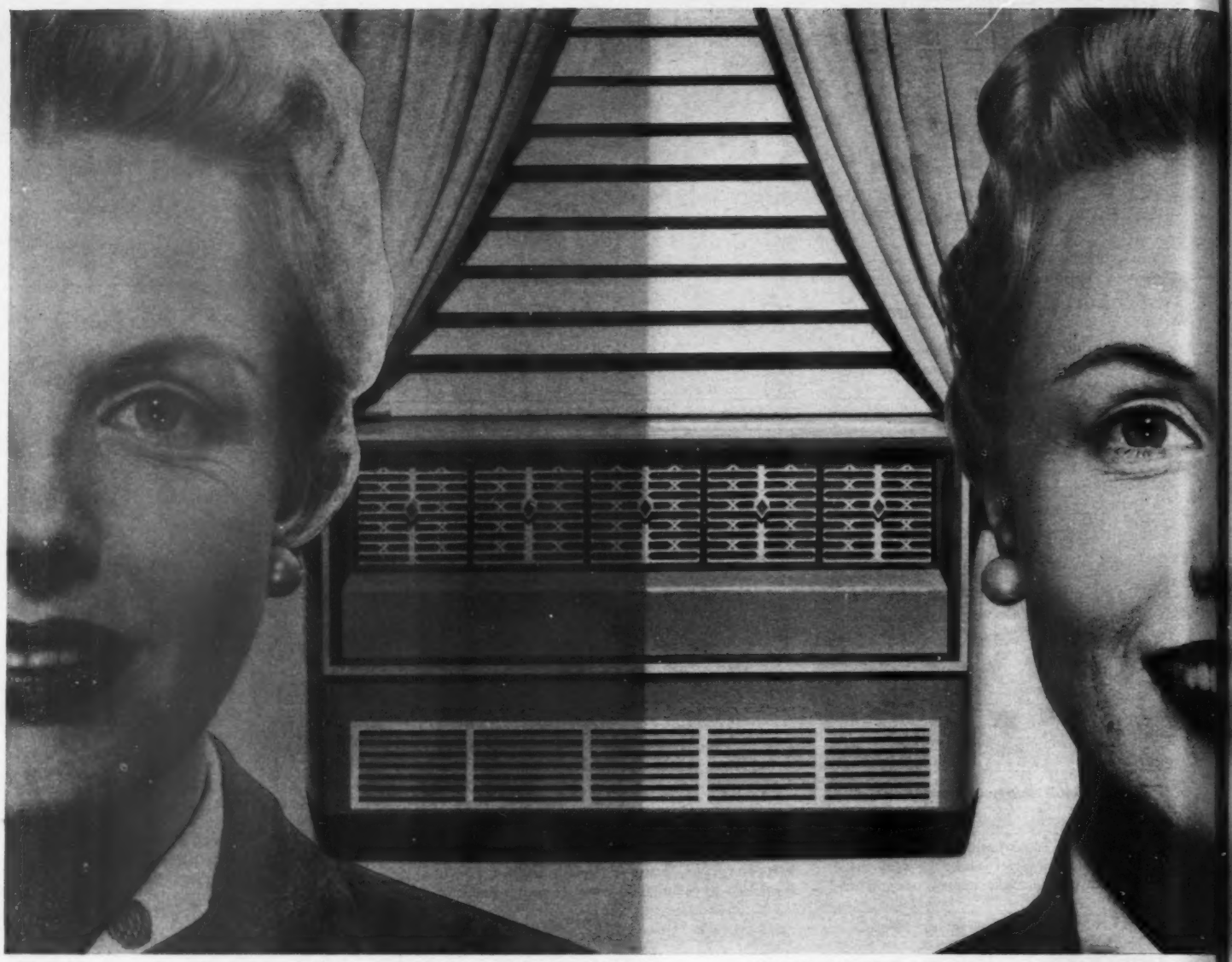

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To do its best cooling job for you, your air conditioner must have full HOUSEPOWER. Full HOUSEPOWER means sufficient wiring in your home to supply the electricity necessary to operate appliances and lights at full capacity. If you have *low* HOUSEPOWER, your appliances don't get enough electricity . . . they won't work well and they may wear out sooner. Check these points to see if your home is suffering from low HOUSEPOWER:

## Quick Facts About HOUSEPOWER

Today, the average home uses 3 times as much electricity as it did 15 years ago. That's why 4 out of 5 homes now suffer from low HOUSEPOWER. This is true even of brand new homes. Here are the conditions that cause you to have low HOUSEPOWER:

**1. Inadequate electrical service entrance.** To overcome this basic cause of low HOUSEPOWER, you should have service entrance capacity of at least 100 amperes. This requires 3-wire service from the street.

**2. Overloaded circuits.** Too many appliances on one circuit overload it and none of them get enough power. Motors may even burn out. If the overload is too great, the fuse will blow or circuit-breaker trip. You should have enough branch circuits to distribute enough electricity to all appliances.

**3. Insufficient outlets.** Some homeowners use extension cords and "octopus" outlets (2- and 3-way plugs), or plug into lighting outlets. Such practices are unsightly, inconvenient, and may be dangerous. Rearranging furniture doesn't help. The only safe solution is to add more circuits and outlets.

These are the symptoms of low HOUSEPOWER: lights dimming when appliances are turned on; blown fuses or tripped circuit-breakers; TV picture shrinking when other appliances are turned on; appliances working inefficiently or taking too long to heat up.

If any of these symptoms are present in your home call your electric company or electrical contractor for a wiring check-up. If added wiring is necessary, your electrical contractor will do the job quickly, neatly, economically. It often takes less than a day. Remember, full HOUSEPOWER increases the value of your home.

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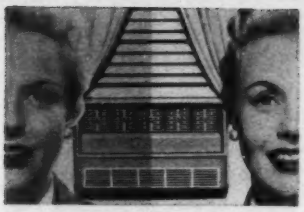

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***These are the prizes for the month of July (worth $18,000):***

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19th-22nd—Automatic Clothes Washers
23rd-24th—Black & White TV Sets
25th-27th—¾ Ton Air Conditioners
28th-31st—Electric Ironers
32nd-35th—Electric Clothes Dryers
36th-39th—Electric Water Heaters
40th-41st—Electric Incinerators
42nd-50th—Vacuum Cleaners

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### CONTEST RULES

*WHO MAY ENTER:* Any user of electricity in their place of residence in the continental U. S. or Hawaii except employees (and their immediate families) of Electric Power Companies, Electric Leagues and Associations, their Advertising and Contest Agencies.

*DURATION OF CONTEST:* The first of the five monthly contests begins May 1, 1956. Entries must be received no later than last day of month to be eligible for that month's contest. Entries received after last day will be included in following month's contest.

Final month's contest ends Sept. 30, 1956. Entries postmarked after Sept. 30, 1956 or received after Oct. 5, 1956 will not be accepted. Multiple entries will be accepted, provided an Official Entry Blank is used each time. Entry blanks may be obtained from local Electric Power Company.

*HOW TO ENTER:* Read carefully "Quick Facts About Housepower." Then complete entry blank below. Answer all questions. Fill in your name and address twice. Mail entry blank to "HOUSEPOWER CONTEST", P.O. Box 1888, Grand Central Station, New York 17, N. Y.

*JUDGING:* Judging will be done monthly by the Contest Division, Richard Manville Research, an independent research organization. Judging will be based on most correct answers to the multiple choice questions, and the degree of interest, aptness, originality, and sincerity of the statement completion. Grand prize winner will be selected from among the 25 top prize winners (five per month).

Monthly winners will be notified by mail approximately 6 weeks from closing of each month's contest. Only one prize per household per month. Grand prize winner will be notified approximately 10 weeks from final closing date. Winners' lists may be obtained by enclosing a *self-addressed, 6-cent stamped envelope* with your entry.

Contest is subject to federal, state, and local regulations. All entries become the property of Edison Electric Institute. Judges' decisions are final.

Each contestant consents and agrees that neither the sponsors of this contest, nor the Contest Division of Richard Manville Research, nor any of their respective employees, will incur any legal liability for any negligence, error, act, or failure to act in the sponsoring or conducting of this contest or the handling, or judging, of any contestant's entry, however, all due caution will be exercised to prevent the occurrence of any such errors.

## OFFICIAL ENTRY BLANK *send to:* HOUSEPOWER, *P.O. Box 1888, Grand Central Station, New York 17, N.Y.*

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**IMPORTANT: Read "Quick Facts about HOUSEPOWER" before filling in entry.**

*(Place a check in the square preceding each correct answer. Each question has one and only one correct answer.)*

*1. Today, the number of existing homes that need additional wiring is* ☐ 2 out of 5 ☐ 3 out of 5 ☐ 4 out of 5 ☐ 1 out of 5.

*2. One cause of low HOUSEPOWER is* ☐ too little electricity available from the electric companies ☐ inadequate service entrance ☐ too many fuses ☐ excessive rainfall.

*3. Overloaded circuits may be responsible for* ☐ appliance motors burning out ☐ fuses that never blow ☐ dripping faucets ☐ superior TV reception.

*4. A scarcity of outlets can be safely corrected only by* ☐ using "Octopus" outlets (2- and 3-way plugs) and extension cords ☐ rearranging your furniture properly ☐ plugging into lighting outlets ☐ putting in additional circuits and outlets.

*5. Bringing your home up to full HOUSEPOWER* ☐ requires a license for use of high voltage ☐ increases the value of your home ☐ generally takes two or three weeks ☐ brings discomfort to home occupants.

*6. The person best qualified to discuss your wiring problem is* ☐ your pharmacist ☐ your electrical contractor ☐ the neighborhood handyman ☐ your insurance broker.

*7. My house was built* ☐ before Jan. 1, 1935 ☐ between Jan. 1, 1935 and Jan. 1, 1945 ☐ since Jan. 1, 1945. ☐ Don't live in a private house.

*8. With full HOUSEPOWER these are the electric appliances I would like to have within the next five years:* ☐ range ☐ air conditioner ☐ water heater ☐ dishwasher ☐ electric blanket ☐ automatic washer ☐ clothes dryer ☐ home freezer ☐ television set ☐ toaster ☐ automatic coffee maker ☐ electric fry pan.

*9. The last time a fuse blew (or a circuit-breaker tripped) in my home was* ☐ within the past month ☐ within the past six months ☐ within the past year ☐ more than a year ago ☐ can't remember.

*10. Connecting the street* power *line to my house are* ☐ 2 wires ☐ 3 wires. ☐ Don't live in a private house.

*11. My fuse box now has* ☐ 4 or fewer fuses ☐ 5-7 fuses ☐ 8 or more fuses ☐ don't have fuses (have circuit-breakers).

*12. In my opinion, the wiring in our home is* ☐ inadequate ☐ adequate ☐ good ☐ excellent.

(Complete the following statement, using 25 additional words or less)
It's smart to invest in full HOUSEPOWER because_____

Print name, address etc., here also.

NAME (PRINT)_____
STREET ADDRESS_____
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NAME OF YOUR ELECTRIC UTILITY COMPANY_____

**BE SURE TO ANSWER ALL 12 QUESTIONS ON THIS ENTRY FORM**

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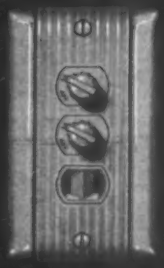

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*Draw-Tite Tent* is $99.50. Order from Bemis Bro. Bag Co., 601 S. 4th St., St. Louis 2, Mo.

**Fence Fido in.** Pet car guard hooks around the window molding of your auto, keeps pup from bouncing out on his ear when he gets too enthusiastic over passing dogs. This could also be a safety guard for youngsters who tend to lean out too far.

*Pet Car Guard*, $3.50, ppd. Order it from Warner Products Company, P. O. Box 65, Baldwinsville, N.Y.

**For babies on the go**—a travel kit that contains all the toiletries a tot will need, whether bound for 2 weeks at Grandma's, an overnight trip, or vacation. Kit contains baby oil, cream, powder, lotion, soap, and cotton buds. Case is yellow plaid.

*Baby Travel Kit*, $2.50, in stores. Manufacturer is Johnson & Johnson, New Brunswick, N. J.

**So you've been around!** At least the interesting travel print on this tote bag would make it seem so. This could be used for most anything. It's made of plastic, so you might safely tuck in bathing togs for a spur-of-the-moment swim along the way. Tan or charcoal.

*Tote Bag*, $1.98, in stores. Henry Seligman Co., New York, N.Y.

**Armrest carryall.** Comfortable leatherette armrest springs open to reveal a wealth of space for such travel musts as maps, sunglasses, flashlight. Special cigarette case and writing pad are built in. Back-seat use is recommended, too, for keeping Jane and Junior separated, storing comic books and toys.

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**Safety pillow** for the dashboard attaches with suction cups, may save you a jarring jolt when the car is forced to a sudden stop. (Team it with seat belts and you've a real safety pair.) Pillow is padded with a material specially selected for its soft, shock-absorbing qualities and lack of bulkiness. Fits any dash.

*Crash-Safety Pillow*, $2.98, ppd. The Ettinger Mfg. Co., 1319 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago 5, Ill.

**Corral the clutter.** Handy car pack slings over the seat, between driver and his front-seat companion, to hold magazines, maps, books, papers, sunglasses, and your expense sheet. A tidy car makes a trip more serene for everyone, particularly the driver. Bag is translucent plastic, with seven pockets.

*Car Pack*, $1.50, ppd. Miles Kimball Co., 25 Algoma, Oshkosh, Wis.

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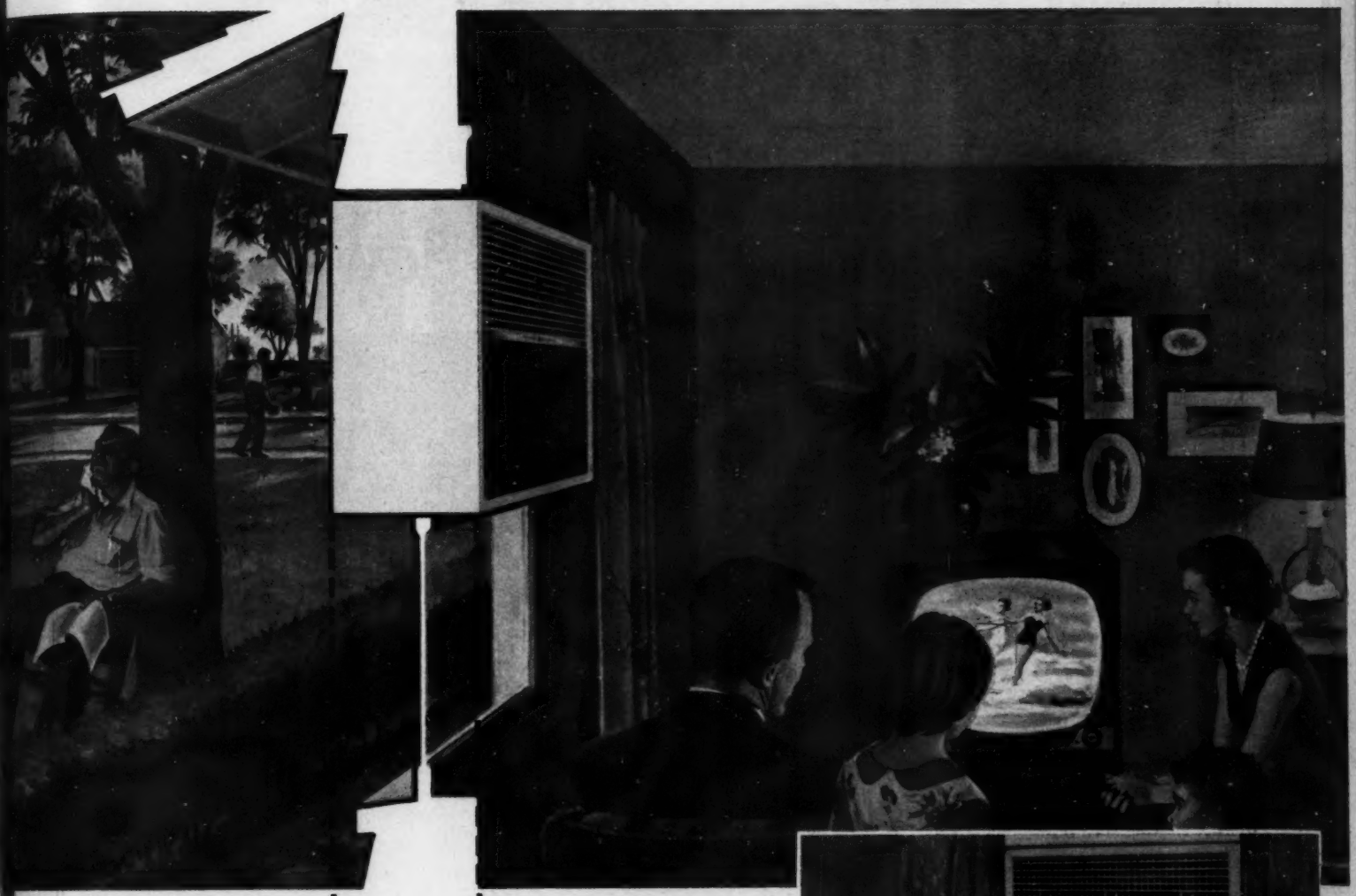
# All new G-E Thinline Air Conditioner takes up ⅓ less space!



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HERE is a completely new concept in room air conditioners that offers top performance, yet actually takes up one-third less space than previous corresponding models.

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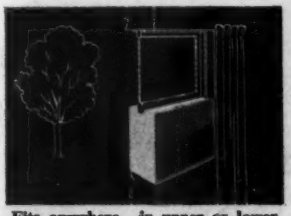
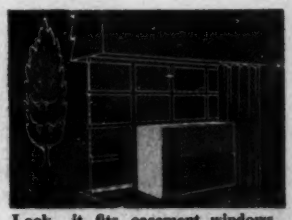


**Fits anywhere—in upper or lower sash.** Can be mounted flush with inside wall as shown here or all-outside to allow windows to be closed. All inside installation is ideal for use in offices.



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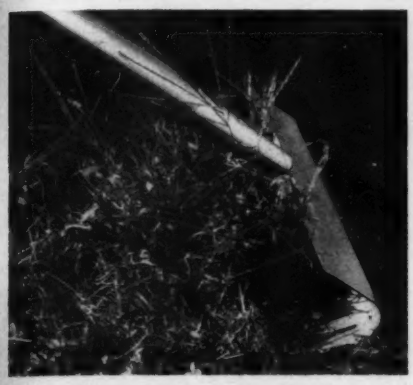
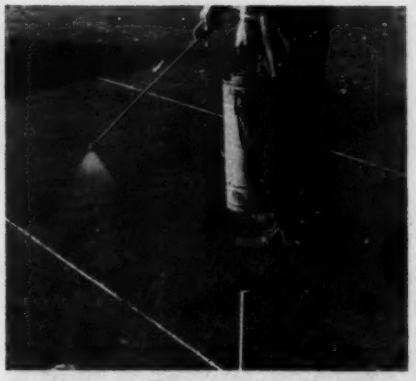
# Easy ways to a pest-free summer

### *Stop weeds before they go to seed*



Keep crabgrass from going to seed, and you can eventually get rid of it. Rake out old clumps to prevent new seed formation. Apply a special crabgrass control to catch young plants. Repeat again in August to destroy new seedlings

Plantain and other perennial, broadleaf weeds soon disappear if you hit them from two directions. Use 2,4-D when weeds grow most vigorously, are easiest to control. Combine this with digging—a few minutes a day soon does the job



Weed killers are potent and shouldn't be carelessly applied. If you have a large lawn, mark off spraying strips with cords; spray between strips. This prevents accidental overdosing, lets you do part of job one day, finish another

Dandelions, chickweed, aphids, and blights can shatter your dreams of a pest-free summer. If they already have, take heart. If they haven't, take action.

Here's your program. Get the weeds out of your lawn with a weed killer. Use 2,4-D for the broadleaf weeds; potassium cyanate, PMAS, and sodar for crabgrass; ammonium sulfamate or 2,4,5-T for tough, woody weeds. Catch the strays with a hoe, then feed liberally so grass will quickly cover the bare spots.

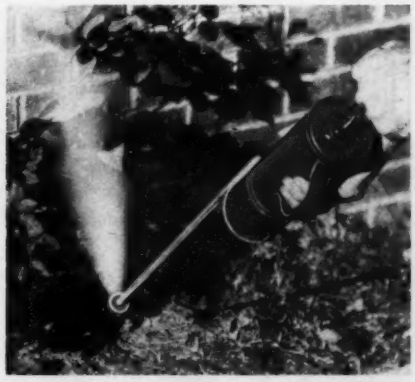
To bring the bugs and blights under control, first dust or spray with a multipurpose pesticide; repeat in five days. If there are stragglers that seem resistant to the controls you are using, use a specific pesticide recommended for that pest.

You can also apply weed killers dry. Added to vermiculite, they're easy to spread. Use a regular spreader-seeder, applying only where no flower beds or shrub plantings are planned, as residue will be active for several months

### *Stop insects when they first appear*

Photographs: Stanley

In small gardens, easiest control of insects is with self-contained duster tubes. These provide variety of mixtures—for roses, vegetables, fruit trees, and general garden use. Dust sticks best when the leaves are dewy and air is still



Dusters vary in capacity and design. Larger ones usually work by cranking, smaller ones by pumping. Choice depends on how much dusting is necessary. If dust doesn't stick well, moisten plants first by spraying the leaves with water

If your hose is long enough, small attachment like this can double for compressed-air sprayer. Mixing is eliminated, but measurements must be accurate. Check the directions carefully first

*More on page 175*

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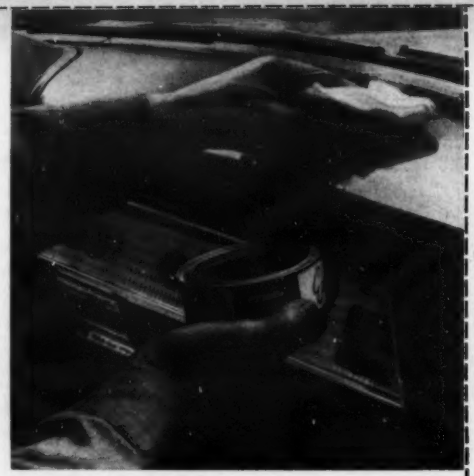
**Improve the looks** and prolong life of floor mats by treating surface to fresh coat of rubber paint.

Topping works equally well on tires and trunk deck mats. Most preparations are quick-drying, but you can speed "setting" time by parking car in sunlight, leaving doors open.

Apply dressing carefully so you won't splash seats or metalwork.



**Dashboard, window trim,** other interior metal parts—like exterior finish—benefit from waxing.

Wax keeps dirt from collecting in hard-to-clean places (like the steering column), makes future cleanings simple to do with dust cloth or slightly dampened cleaning rag.

Some new waxes let you clean and polish the car in one operation.

Photographs: Stanley

**Household rug cleaner** does excellent job of drawing stubborn dirt from auto carpets.

Shake a small amount over soiled area, and work into the carpet with a stiff-bristle scrub brush.

Regular brushing and vacuuming generally will remove embedded dirt and sand that would probably do the most harm to carpeted floors.

**Vacuuming seats** is first step to restoring soiled upholstery. Use extension with brush head or nozzle to suck out loose dirt in and around edges of the cushions.

In removing stains (see chart, page 4), never rub the spot; you'll only drive it deeper. Use sweeping, lifting motion and let cleaning agent do the work. Change to clean cloth often.



*Cut along dotted lines*

**Washing is essential** to maintaining the good appearance of any car, new or old. Remember, new cars with enamel finishes should be cleaned only with *water* for first 3 months.

Keep car in shade and begin scrubdown with roof, working to sides, hood, trunk, then wheels. Brush-spray attachment for garden hose helps you do a faster job. Finish with a chamois skin.

**Special chrome** and auto body-finish cleaners you can buy are ideal for stripping off tar and road oils, tree sap, bugs and insects, other corrosive deposits.

Apply cleaner in circular motion, using soft cheese cloth or turkish towel. Auto manufacturers also recommend a solution of household baking soda in water to remove bugs. Just sponge it on and rinse it off with clear water.

*How to . . .*

# Keep your car looking new

Summer months are good months to treat your car to the all-out rubdown it probably needs. More than just a thorough washing, there's much that you can do yourself to keep your auto looking new. Here we show the easy ways you can go about it—how to clean stained upholstery, pep up clouded chromework, retouch damaged finish, plus other tips and ideas that can save you time and work in cleaning up your car.

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**Even the best** chrome-plated parts like the bumper and grill become badly pitted if rust is not cleaned off.

One good way: form a ball of aluminum foil, shiny side out, dip in water, and rub lightly across rust.

Or, use commercial preparation made just for the purpose. You can also buy chrome polishes that give metal parts a long-lasting glitter.

**White-side-wall tires** clean up fast with steel wool and scouring powder, pre-soaped steel-wool pads, or with side-wall cleaner, shown here.

If tires are very dirty, they may need repeated washings. You can get a brand new ribbon of white around the tires with special side-wall paint available at service stations or automobile supply stores.

**Before polishing** or waxing the finish, check surface of your car for scratches or stone bruises in the finish.

Small pits can be repaired with touch-up paints you can get to exactly match the color of your car.

Touch-up paints are easy to apply from spray-type containers, or from "fountain-brush" tubes, like the one shown here. Follow directions closely.

**An old whisk broom** is your best weapon for cleaning mud and dirt from floor mats. If the dirt is packed around side panels or door molding, unscrew molding and sweep out door.

If rubber mats are exceptionally dirty, scrub them with soap and water. With many makes of cars, it's an easy matter to remove the mats and do the wash job outside.

PUSH OUT



## *Here's how to "lift" stains from auto upholstery*

| Type of stain | How to remove |
|---|---|
| **Dirt, dust, mud, clay** | Brush or vacuum. Let mud and clay dry first, then brush before washing with detergent in cold water. |
| **Coffee, tea, soda pop, fruit juice** | Wipe area with cloth dipped in boiling water. When area dries, brush with soft-bristle brush. |
| **Water spots** | Wipe spot with damp cloth. Feather edges, let dry, and repeat the procedure. Use lukewarm water. |
| **Candy, ice cream, milk, chocolate** | Scrape off excess with dull knife. Wash area with mild detergent in warm water. Wipe with dry cloth. |
| **Blood, urine, nausea** | Sponge immediately with clear, cold water. Then wash lightly with lukewarm soapy water. Never use hot water to remove blood. It will set it permanently in the fabric. |
| **Lipstick, rouge, nail polish** | Scrape off excess with dull knife. Work white vaseline into spot to hold coloring agent in suspension. Go over spot with solvent. You may need commercial car cleaner to get it all. Treat nail polish with nail-polish remover that does not contain acetone. |
| **Grease, oil, tar, wax-base shoe polish** | Scrape off excess. Dip cloth in cleaning solvent and work from outer edges to center. Change to clean cloth often and go easy on the solvent. |
| **Chewing gum** | Scrape away excess. Dissolve gum with cleaning solvent applied with cloth. Wipe spot lightly. |

When removing any spot from upholstery, use removing agent sparingly. Overdosage can cause permanent damage to fabrics and cushions. Remember, too, most dry-cleaning agents are toxic—keep the car well ventilated. Know the fabric and type of stain you're treating. Most stains can be lifted from vinyls and leathers with mild detergent in water. For other fabrics, follow chart above.

Rinse well. Never let a chemical cleaner dry on the fabric. Use soft, clean toweling and change it often. Dirty cleaning cloth will only transfer stain to other areas.

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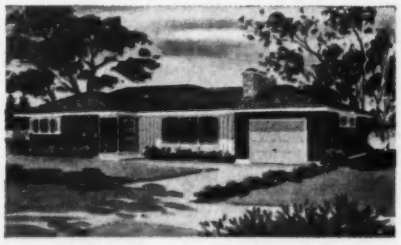

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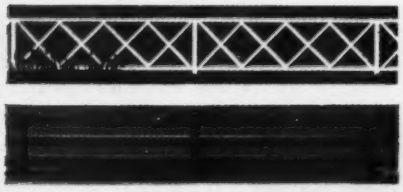

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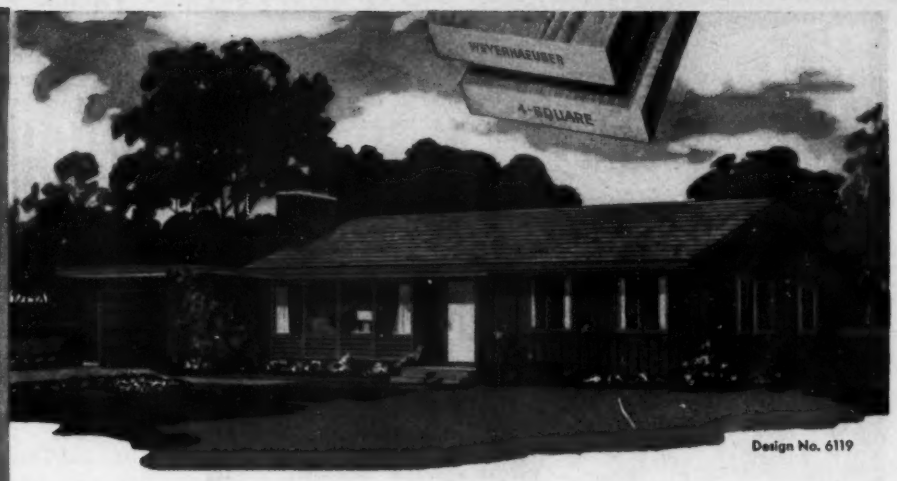


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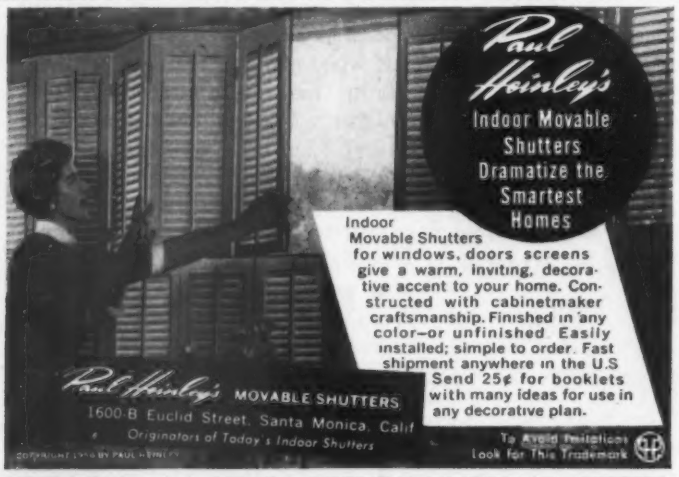

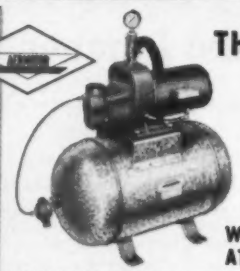

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# How to build the

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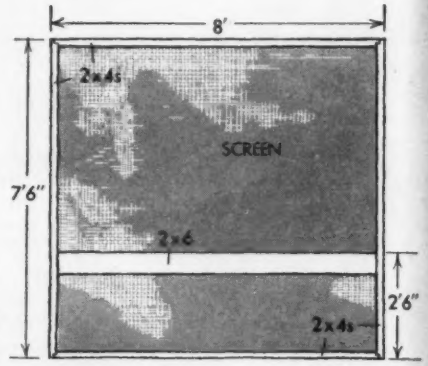
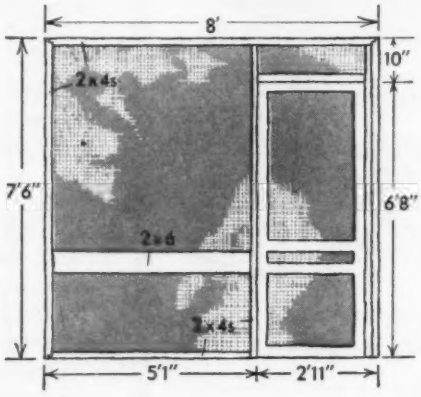



To form the sides of the screen house, you'll need four panels like this one



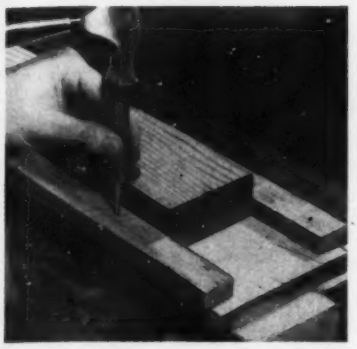

Door panel is same height and width as others, but with door jambs and header

**Materials list.** For a cost estimate, take this list to your lumber and hardware dealers. The cost—based on grade of lumber used—should be about $100 or so. This figure may vary depending on locality in which you live.

- 10 pcs. of 2x4, 7'10"
- 10 pcs. of 2x4, 7'8"
- 1 pc. of 2x4, 8' long
- 1 pc. of 2x4, 3' long
- 5 pcs. of 2x6, 8' long
- 248' of screen molding (add 50' for roof without grommets)
- 18' of doorstop
- 5 pcs. of 1⅜" dia. closet pole 7'6"
- 1 screen door
- 1 pc. light-gauge sheet steel 3½"x4½'
- 48' roll of glass fiber screening 6' wide
- 15 2x2 loose-pin butt hinges and 3 loose-pin screen-door hinges
- 110' of ⅛" cable
- 10 turnbuckles
- 10 screw eyes
- 20 steel cable connectors; 2 washers
- 15 ¼" bolts 2" long, washers, and wing nuts
- 1 screen-door latch
- 1 screen-door closer
- 1 gross of No. 14 fh wood screws 2½" long
- 1 gross of No. 10 fh wood screws 1½" long
- Sixteen-penny common nails
- Large-head roof nails
- 60 screw hooks (extra)
- Plastic resin glue
- 1 pc. 14'x14' canvas or plastic for roof
- 1½ qts. of sealer
- Paint and supplies

# stowaway screen house

## *Framing*



Rabbeting jig will help you cut uniform, accurate rabbets faster at ends of side framing members. It is simply a "trough" in which 2x4s fit.

To make it, nail two pieces of ⅞-inch-thick scrap (you can trim 1-inch stock to size) to a piece of 1x6.

Use a short piece of 2x4 to space strips accurately. To protect saw teeth, countersink nails below top edge of spacing pieces, as shown.

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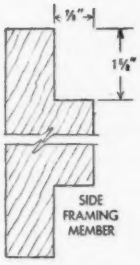
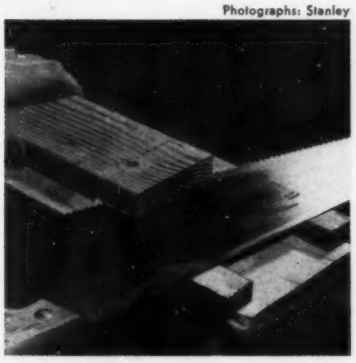
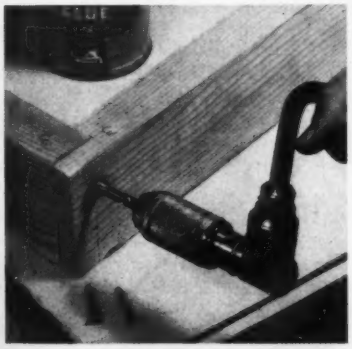


Cut rabbets to accept bottom and top cross members. (Bottom of side member on panel where door will be hinged isn't rabbeted. A double 2x4 jamb and metal threshold furnishes support here.)

Make first cut across face of 2x4 to right depth. Then saw out rest of joint, as shown. Before you make cuts, check thickness of each top and bottom cross member. Thickness sometimes varies.



Fasten top and bottom cross members to the side members. Use waterproof glue and No. 14 flathead wood screws 2½ inches long. Countersink the screw holes slightly.

For best fit, you may have to clean out joints with chisel, matching joints and numbering each one as you go.

Before you fasten the members together, assemble them to check the dimensions and alignment of the joints.

Loose-pin hinges, which hold five panels together, are mortised into *inside* edges of side framing members. You'll need three hinges for each panel.

Space them about 4 inches from top and bottom cross members; the third hinge is centered between others.

To mount them, use No. 10, 1½-inch flathead screws.

So hinges match, mark for mortises on panels that will join at same time.

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# Three ways to see Colorado

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Colorado offers a great deal more than your family can possibly see and do in 2 weeks and that's why we're offering a choice of routes or "tours." A study of the itinerary, which begins on this page, will introduce you to the chief attractions and help you use your time to best advantage.

Colorado's highway system lends itself naturally to three distinct loops. These are described in the itinerary and map (page 60) as the Northern, Central, and Southern loops, each complete with a number of fascinating side trips. By planning ahead and traveling at your normal rate, you can complete one or two entire loops or combine portions of two or more in whatever way seems best.

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### Colorado by way of the North loop

*Denver:* Colorado's mile-high capital, founded as gold camp (1858). City Park (East 17th Avenue) features zoo, gardens, tennis courts, and adjoining golf course, plus outstanding Museum of Natural History. Fine views of city and mountains from Cheesman Park (8th Avenue and Williams Street) and Daniels and Fisher Tower (16th and Arapahoe Streets).

**Side trip:** West via U. S. 40-6 and State 68 through Denver mountain parks to summit of Lookout Mountain, Buffalo Bill's grave and Cody Memorial Museum, thence through game preserve (deer, elk, and buffalo) to Genessee Peak, Fillius and Bergen Parks, Evergreen and Bear Creek Canyon. World's highest auto road via Idaho Springs leads to summit of *Mount Evans* (elevation 14,260 feet) and breath-taking view of region. *Central City*, heart of gold-mining region, was once described as "richest square mile on earth"; now features summer drama festival in city opera house. Colorful *Red Rocks* open air theater is site of summer concerts. Then take new, fast Denver-Boulder Turnpike (toll 25 cents) northwest 27 miles to—

*Boulder:* Home of University of Colorado, and only city in America with water supply fed by active glacier. State 7 leads north to Lyons and junction with State 66. Choice of routes here: left turn affords short cut (23 miles) to Estes Park, or right turn leads to U. S. 87 and north to—

*Loveland:* Gateway to scenic *Big Thompson Canyon*. U. S. 34 winds west along river (good trout fishing) to—

*Estes Park:* Situated in valley and surrounded by 14,000-foot snowcapped peaks. Village is center of one of America's most popular and best-equipped resort areas and gateway to—

*Rocky Mountain National Park:* 405 square miles of Colorado's most magnificent scenic splendor spanning both sides of Continental Divide. Bear Lake Road is favorite scenic drive as is Fall River Road (up-bound traffic only; inquire locally). Trail Ridge Road (open June-October) parallels old Ute and Arapahoe Indian trail, winding for 15 miles at elevations above 11,000 feet, and making possible scenic vistas ordinarily seen only by experienced mountain climbers. *Grand Lake* and adjoining *Shadow Mountain Lake* offer good trout fishing, swimming, and boating.

*Granby:* Heart of Colorado's dude-ranch country, is near junction of U. S. 34 and 40. Follow U. S. 40 west along Colorado River between red sandstone cliffs to Kremmling, and northwest through Rabbit Ears Pass to Steamboat Springs in Yampa River Valley. This section has some of state's finest hunting and fishing. At Craig (boat or jeep trips to *Dinosaur National Monument*) turn south on State 13 past colorful cliffs and mesas to Meeker, site of Meeker Massacre, 1879. Forty-three more miles of splendid scenery lead southwest along Grand Hogback to—

*Rifle:* Twelve miles north of town is world's largest trout hatchery (open to visitors) with capacity of 200 tons legal-size trout each year. Daily guided tours to Bureau of Mines' Experimental Oil Shale plant available. Nearby White River National Forest is state's largest, with excellent hunting, fishing, and camping facilities. Follow U. S. 6-24 east 34 miles to—

*Glenwood Springs:* Colorado's leading health resort. World's largest hot-mineral-water swimming pool is fed by Yampa Spring.

**Side trip:** (42 miles) southeast along Roaring Fork River to *Aspen*, once booming silver-mining town and now modern resort area. Don't miss world's longest ski lift (5½ miles, round trip) to 11,000-foot summit of Ajax Mountain. Aspen Music Festival features four concerts by leading artists weekly. Return to Glenwood Springs, and follow U. S. 6-24 east along Colorado River through colorful Glenwood Canyon to Dowd.

**Side trip:** (31 miles) south via U. S. 24 to *Leadville:* highest incorporated town in United States (elevation 10,188 feet). Mount Elbert and Mount Massive, Colorado's two tallest peaks (second and third in United States) rise above town which boasted population of 30,000 in 1878 and has since seen $600 million worth of gold, silver, and other minerals mined nearby. (Caution: overnight accommodations extremely limited in Leadville.) Return via State 91 to U. S. 6, then east to Idaho Springs and Denver.

### Central loop

*Denver* to *Rifle* via U. S. 6. For description see latter portion of "North loop." At Rifle continue southwest through Paint Pot Country to—

*Grand Junction:* Booming agricultural and mining capital of western Colorado, on edge of uranium-rich Colorado Plateau. *Colorado National Monument* (15-day auto permit, 50 cents) is half-hour's drive west on Rim Rock Road. Return to Grand Junction, and follow U. S. 50 southeast along Gunnison River to Delta, heart of Colorado's fruit country.

*Montrose:* Center of a large, fertile farming area, reclaimed from former arid region by irrigation in Uncompahgre River Valley. Eight miles east on U. S. 50 and 11 miles north on State 347 is *Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Monument*, 50 miles long, and one of Colorado's most awe-inspiring spectacles. Four-mile highway leads along rim to parking areas at most spectacular observation points. Camp and picnic grounds. Return to U. S. 50, and continue on east to *Gunnison*, named for leader of expedition seeking transcontinental railroad route in 1853. Follow U. S. 50 east through *Salida* and 42 miles beyond to Royal Gorge Junction.

**Side trip** leads 8 miles south to *Royal Gorge of the Arkansas:* The world's highest suspension

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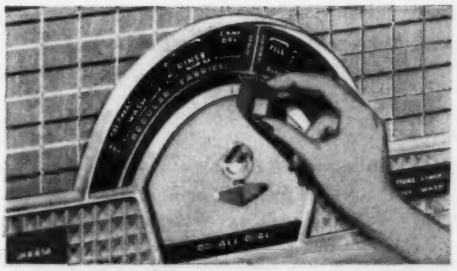

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bridge 1,053 feet above river. Drive or walk across the bridge (toll charge) and ride incline railway to bottom of the gorge. Indian dances are staged regularly at gorge, and 20 or 30 tame deer congregate around Cliff Terrace Restaurant for handouts each evening. Return to U. S. 50, thence east to—

*Canon City:* Year-round fishing is permitted in the Arkansas River. From Canon City follow U. S. 50—State 115 east and north to—

*Colorado Springs:* Highly commercialized tourist mecca near the foot of *Pike's Peak*. Auto toll road to the 14,100-foot summit costs 50 cents per person and is difficult climb for average car. Round-trip tickets aboard cog railway from *Manitou Springs* to summit are $5.75 for adults and $2.50 for children, 5-12. *Garden of the Gods* northwest of city is 370-acre scenic wonderland of massive red sandstone formations, most impressive in early morning or evening. Chuckwagon dinners, sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings ($1.50 per person) feature good Western-style food and entertainment. Reservations necessary. *Broadmoor*, one of state's finest resorts adjoining south edge of Colorado Springs has an excellent golf course, ice palace, riding stables, both indoor and outdoor swimming pools, and several tennis courts.

*Broadmoor-Cheyenne Mountain Highway* leads past game parks and Will Rogers Shrine of the Sun to 9,200-foot summit (toll: adults, 50 cents; children under 12, 25 cents). *Seven Falls* (admission: adults, 90 cents; children, 30 cents) in South Cheyenne Canyon are reached by cable car (adults, 30 cents; children, 15 cents) and are illuminated at night. Beautiful *Helen Hunt Falls* and *Silver Cascade* are among waterfalls viewed from North Cheyenne Canyon. *Gold Camp Road* (free) runs through tunnels and across trestles of abandoned railroad right-of-way past 36 miles of magnificent mountain scenery.

*Cave of the Winds* at Manitou Springs offers mile-long underground tour complete with stalactites, stalagmites, crystal, calcite, and flowering alabaster formations (admission: adults, $1.20; children, 6-12, 60 cents). *Mount Manitou Incline* cable railway carries passengers from Manitou Springs to 9,155-foot summit (adults, $1.00; children, 50 cents). Return via U. S. 85-87 to Denver.

### South loop

*Colorado Springs:* For description see latter part of "Central loop." Follow U. S. 24 west and north from Manitou Springs through Ute Pass to Divide. **Side trip:** south 16 miles on Phantom Canyon Road (State 67) leads behind Pike's Peak to *Cripple Creek*, whose still-active gold mines have produced as high as $25 million in one year. Return to U. S. 24, and continue on west to Florissant. Leave U. S. 24 at Buena Vista, and follow U. S. 285 south 22 miles to U. S. 50. See latter part of "Central loop" (above) for description of U. S. 50 between Salida and—

*Montrose:* Three miles south of town is memorial park dedicated to Ute Chief Ouray and his wife Chipeta, who as trusted friends of white settlers played important part in early history of Western Colorado. U. S. 550 leads south along Uncompahgre River to—

*Ouray:* In heart of San Juan Mountains, known as "Switzerland of America country." At south edge of town a 200-foot waterfall may be seen in Box Canyon. From Ouray, the Million Dollar Highway winds upward through Red Mountain Pass and on to—

*Silverton:* County seat of San Juan County, and onetime boom town of 4,000 when mining was in full swing during 1880s. Grand Imperial Hotel (1883), "Home of the Silver Kings," is still a show place. Silverton's Blair Street has a sheriff's office, bank, several stores, plus a restaurant, saloon, and a livery stable complete with watering trough and hitching posts, all now deserted.

*Durango:* Famous as terminus of the Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad's narrow-gauge train which operates daily between Durango and Silverton. Train, affectionately known as the "Iron Goat," began its operation in 1882. All-day 90-mile round trip is a never-to-be-forgotten family adventure. (Fare: adults, $3.30; children, 5-12, $1.65.) **Side trip** from Durango, via U. S. 160 (54 miles) to—

*Mesa Verde National Park:* (15-day auto permit, $1.) One of America's most interesting and educational areas, well worth an entire vacation by itself. Stone Age civilization of cliff-dwelling Indians flourished here over 1,000 years ago, finally evacuating area during drouth years of 1276-98. Visit Park Service Museum first. Many cliff dwellings and mesa-top habitations accessible on ranger-conducted tours. Evening campfires feature stories about Mesa Verde by the ranger-archeologists and tribal chants and dances by Navajo Indians. Camping and picnic grounds available. Return via U. S. 160 to—

*Pagosa Springs:* Homes here are heated at very low cost by 165-degree mineral spring water which also possesses certain healing qualities. Continue on U. S. 160 through Wolf Creek Pass, across Continental Divide, to Monte Vista. From here you may follow the "Gunbarrel" (U. S. 285), 35 miles of perfectly straight highway to Saguche and Salida, or continue on east to—

*Alamosa:* One mile south on U. S. 285 is Narrow Gauge Museum (free). Follow State 17-U. S. 285 north to—

*Salida:* For description of U. S. 50-State 115 between Salida, Royal Gorge, Canon City, and Colorado Springs see latter portion of "Central loop" (p. 138).


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***Octopus outlets?—Radio scratchy?***

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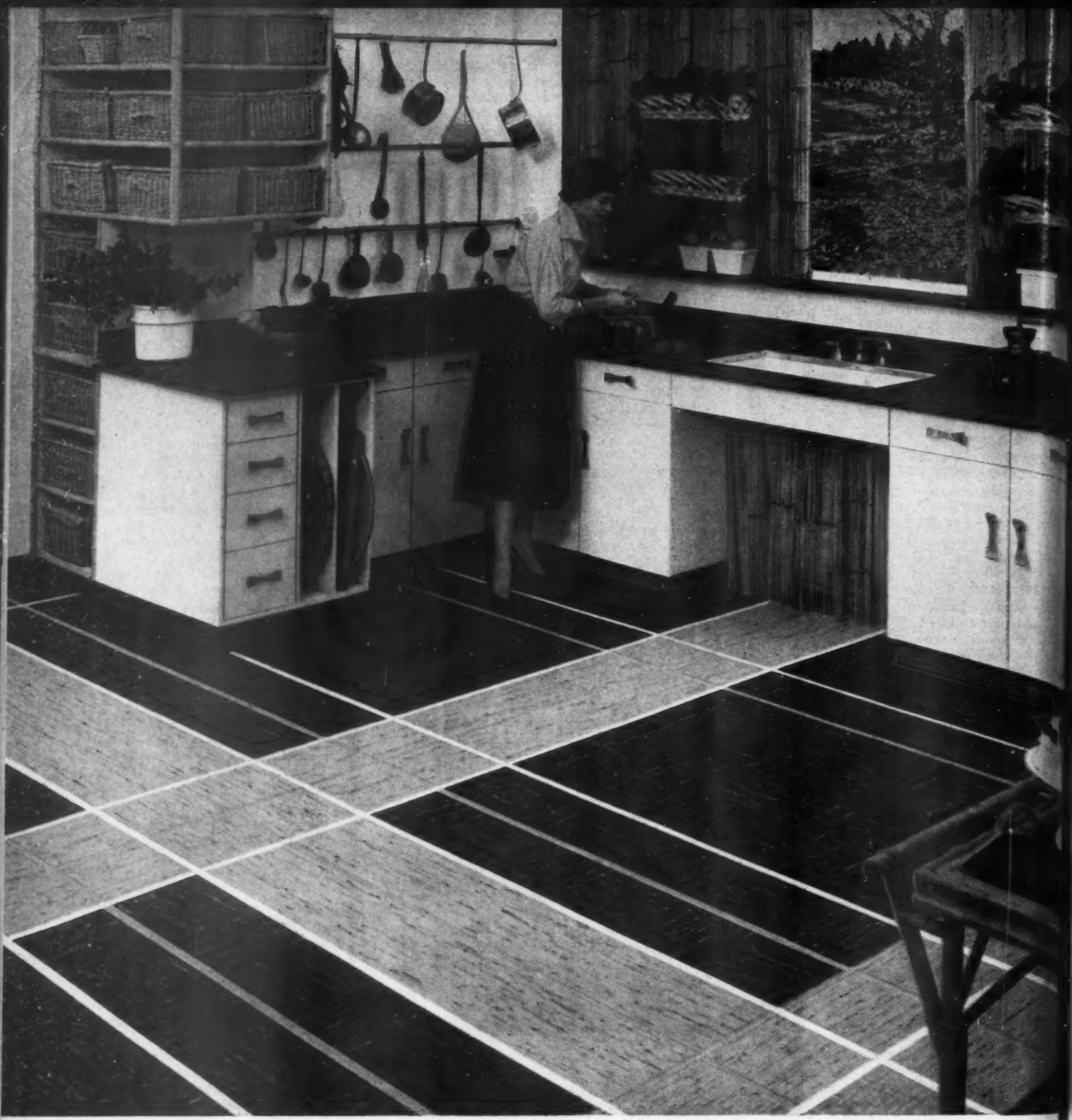
***Do any of these symptoms describe your home?***

- Lights dim or flicker when appliances go on.
- Appliances are slow starting, slow operating.
- Fuses blow or circuit breakers trip too often.
- Radio fades or is scratchy when appliances go on.
- Outlets and switches are scarce where you need them.
- Several appliances are on the same connection.
- Extension cords are in common usage around the house.
- Motors overheat too easily in workshop, kitchen, and so on.

These are some of the symptoms; the diagnosis is *inadequate wiring*. Fortunately, there's a sure cure through your local utility company or electrical contractor.



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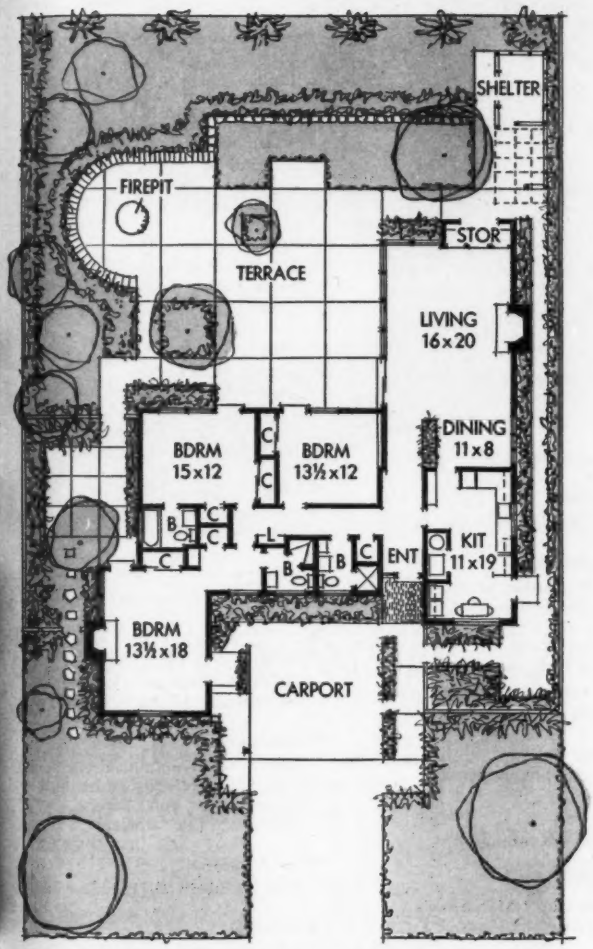
**Concrete terrace,** screened from street by wing of house, is one of the most enjoyable features of this home.

The whole house is deployed around it. Living room at left and twin bedrooms adjacent open out onto terrace.

Third bedroom, or in this case guest room, is through gate at right of picture.

The flush fire pit and attractive planting islands effectively break up expanse of concrete.

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***By John Normile, A.I.A.***

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Angles that separate this wing do a lot to make other areas distinctive. Outdoor-indoor living is no overworked catch phrase. Skillful dovetailing of structure and planting produces terrace area for living room, kitchen, bedrooms. Architect was Edwin Wadsworth, A.I.A., Woodside, California.

***An intriguing extra is the room in front***

This 1,670-square-foot house was designed for the owner, Mrs. Margaret Wood, with a special guest room up front to accommodate her grown children who frequently return with their youngsters for visits.

This space could also be: parents' master bedroom, in-law apartment, teen-ager's private room, "dormitory" for two or more children, family room, study, music room, children's playroom, or combinations of these.

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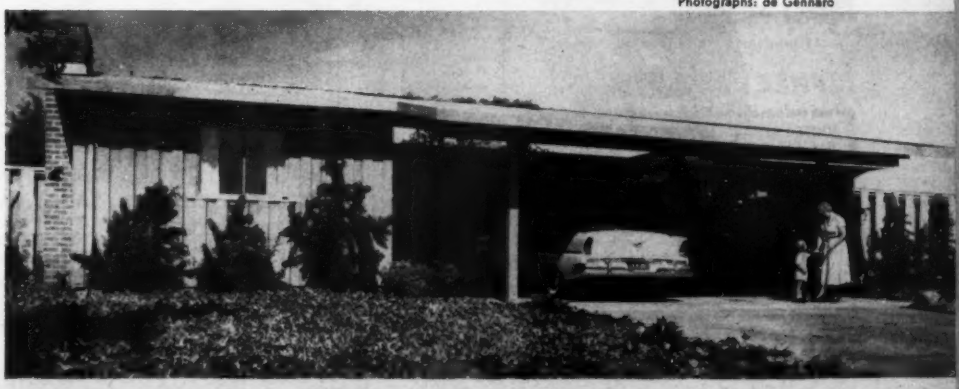

**From street,** every element of house is impressively related. Broad apron of concrete flows into integrated double carport, which also serves as an entry court. Service-yard fence at right enlarges that wing to balance extra bedroom at left

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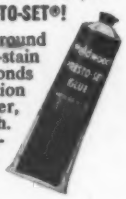

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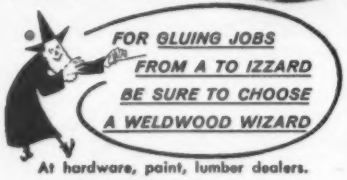


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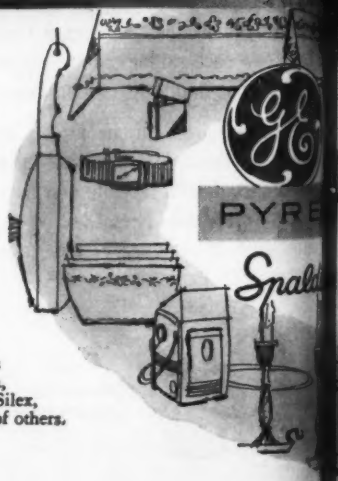


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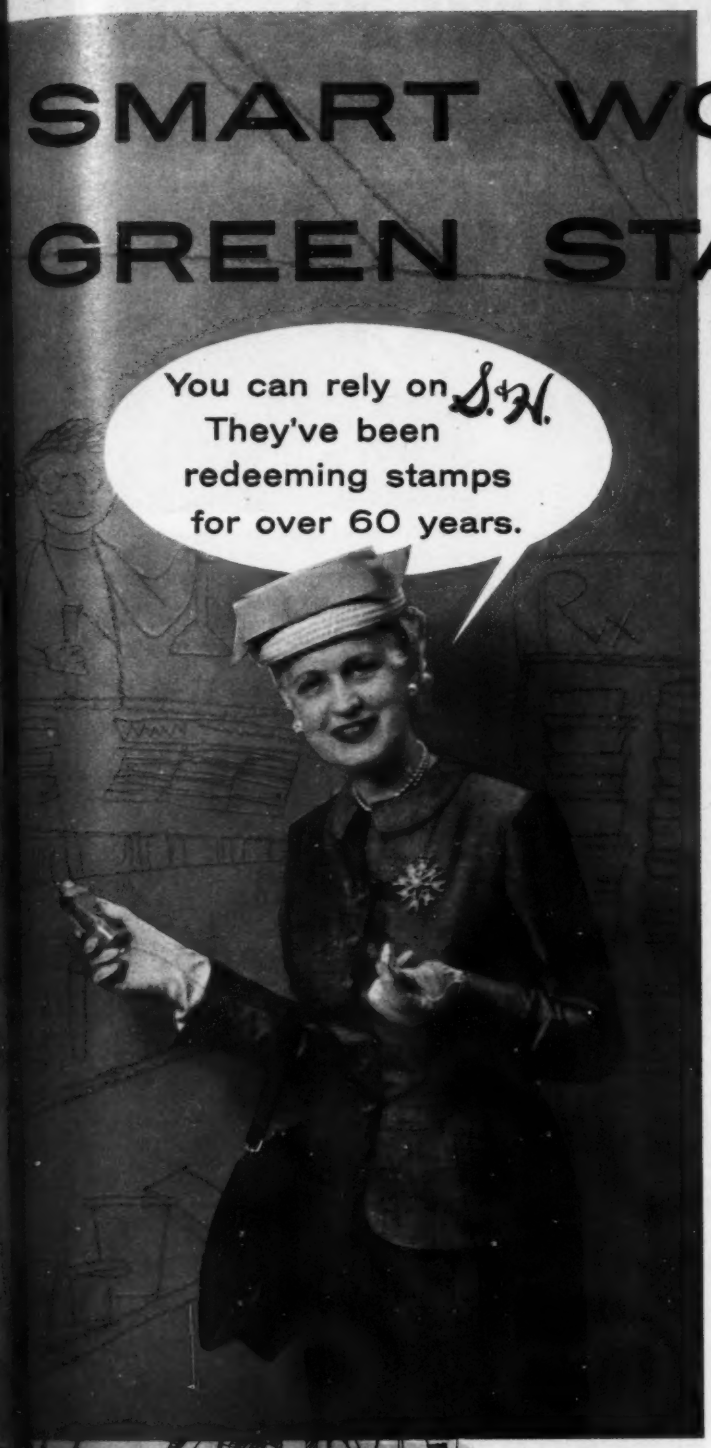

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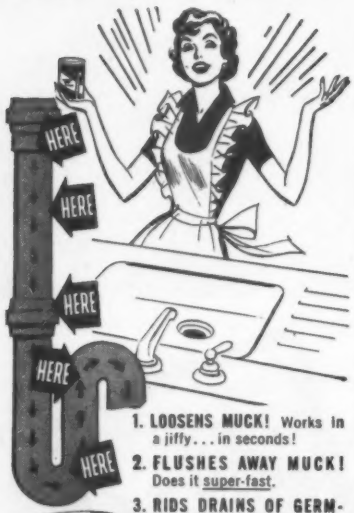


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# Gadgets for folks on the go

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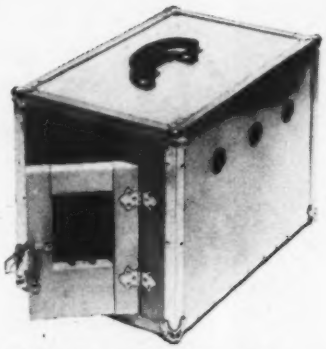

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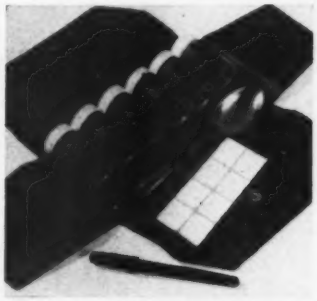
*Wagon Liner*, $24.95, ppd. The Wagonliner Co., Dept B, 2406 E. Court St., Flint 3, Mich.



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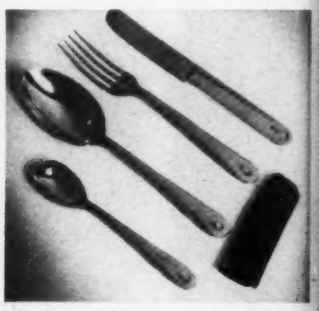
*Medi-Kit* is $4.95, ppd. Order it from Clarion Products, Box 488BH, Highland Park, Ill.

**Diary for your car!** Eighty pages allow space for recording mileage expenses, revamps, and repairs. This is a year-round record (good for 25,000 miles' worth of information), but it's especially handy at vacationtime. Special section gives tips on safe driving and car-ownership.

*Automobile Maintenance Log*, $1, ppd. from mfr. Continental Publishing Co., Dept. A1-S7, 320 Eye St., Sacramento 14, Calif.



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*Sport Set*, $1.75, ppd. Order from Hoffritz for Cutlery, 331 Madison Avenue, New York 17, N.Y.

# Your pet and mine

*Begins on page 10*

*My dog died recently of distemper. Is it safe for me to bring a new puppy into our home?*

You can bring a new puppy into your home with safety, providing it is given distemper serum before being brought on the premises and then vaccinated when it is 4 to 6 months of age.

*Our young German shepherd has begun to wander from home and we want to fence in a small area of the yard to confine her. How high should the fence be?*

Since the German shepherd is a large dog, your fence should be 6 to 7 feet high.

*My dog has a hernia at the navel. Is this serious, and what can be done about it?*

The so-called hernias of the navels in dogs are very common, but they are not hernias in the true meaning of the word. They are caused by a little abdominal fat getting caught in the umbilical ring when it closes shortly after birth. It is usually not necessary to have surgery done on this. However, if it is unsightly, or so large it becomes irritated, it is well to have it cared for. If the dog is a female, this defect can be corrected at the time the dog is spayed.

*How can I determine whether a parakeet I received as a present is male or female?*

You can tell the sex of a parakeet by the color of the cere, a band at the nostrils. In the male, the cere is blue and rounded. In the female, it is tan or brown and flattened.

*Why does my English bulldog, now 3 years old, vomit 2 or 3 times daily? He has always done this.*

English bulldogs, like the other dogs with short noses, tend to have a soft palate that is elongated. This elongated palate causes choking and gagging, with resultant vomiting. By means of surgery, this defect can be corrected and the regurgitation relieved.

*My dog loves to eat bones. Are they good for him?*

It is true that dogs enjoy gnawing on and eating bones. But bones in excess are responsible for a lot of digestive troubles in the form of choking, inflammation of the stomach, and clogging of the bowel by excess, partially digested bone. The frequent occurrence of these complications is enough to warn that bones should not be given to the dog.

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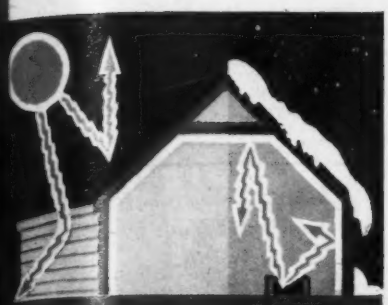

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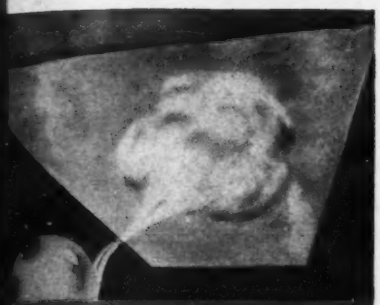

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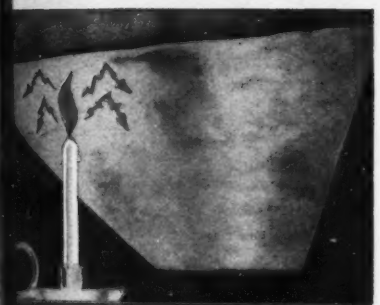

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# Summer salad cook book

*Begins on page 66*

**Sesame Wedges**

*Beneath its crisp toasted-sesame jacket, each wedge is soft and fresh. Simply elegant with a salad supper—and so easy!—*

1 1-pound unsliced sandwich loaf
• • •
¼ cup softened butter or margarine
¼ cup sharp spreading cheese
Few drops Tabasco sauce
• • •
¼ cup sesame seed, toasted

Trim top and side crusts from loaf. Place loaf on ungreased baking sheet and cut zigzag in 7 or 8 wedges, *almost to bottom crust* (see picture on page 68). Blend butter, cheese, and Tabasco sauce. Spread between wedges and over top and sides of loaf. Tie string around loaf to hold together; press sesame seed onto top and sides. Bake in moderate oven (350°) about 20 minutes or till golden brown.

**The following salads are looking their picture-pretty best on page 72**

**Pear-up Salad**

Chill pears; halve. Frame each half with lettuce and fill center with big blueberries. Sprinkle with confectioners' sugar. Add plum "wings." Serve as first course or salad dessert.

**Green Mountain Salad**

*This zesty cream cheese and clam appetizer can double as a dip—*

1 7- or 7½-ounce can (about 1 cup) minced clams
1 clove garlic
1 8-ounce package cream cheese, softened
1 teaspoon lemon juice, fresh, frozen, or canned
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
½ teaspoon salt
Dash pepper
• • •
6 to 8 medium green-pepper rings, cut ½ inch thick
Cucumber slices
Chopped parsley

Drain clams. Rub mixing bowl with cut clove garlic. In bowl thoroughly blend cream cheese, lemon juice, Worcestershire sauce, salt, pepper, and clams. Chill. Place green-pepper rings on salad plates and fill halfway with cucumber slices; top with cheese mixture. Sprinkle generously with parsley. Serve with radish accordions and crackers. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

**Hot Tomato Bouillon**

*Gay-colored, easy beginning for a salad meal—*

Combine 1 can condensed tomato soup, 1 can condensed bouillon, and 2 cans water. Simmer about 5 minutes. Serve immediately. Makes 4 to 5 servings. **Tasting-Test Kitchen Note:** To serve soup in a glass punch bowl as in our picture on page 73, first heat the bowl with warm water. Pour out water and place a large metal spoon in the bowl; then pour soup slowly onto spoon.

**Garlic Slices**

Slash long French loaf in even slices, making the cuts on the bias. Mash 1 clove garlic thoroughly; cream into ½ cup butter or margarine. Spread slices generously. Wrap in aluminum foil. Heat in hot oven (400°) till piping hot, 15 to 20 minutes.

**Louisiana Salad in Avocado Shells**

*Exciting dinner-party send-off—or hub of a salad luncheon—*

1 5-ounce can (1 cup) shrimp, drained
½ cup chopped celery
¼ cup diced cucumber
2 tablespoons chopped green onions
1 tablespoon lemon juice, fresh, frozen, or canned
3 tablespoons mayonnaise
Salt and pepper to taste
• • •
2 fully ripe avocados

Chop shrimp and add vegetables and lemon juice. Moisten with mayonnaise. Add salt and pepper. Chill. Peel avocados; cut in half and remove seed. Brush cut surface with lemon juice to keep color bright. Fill center with the shrimp salad. Serve on lettuce leaf with wedge of lemon (dip edge in paprika). Makes 4 servings.

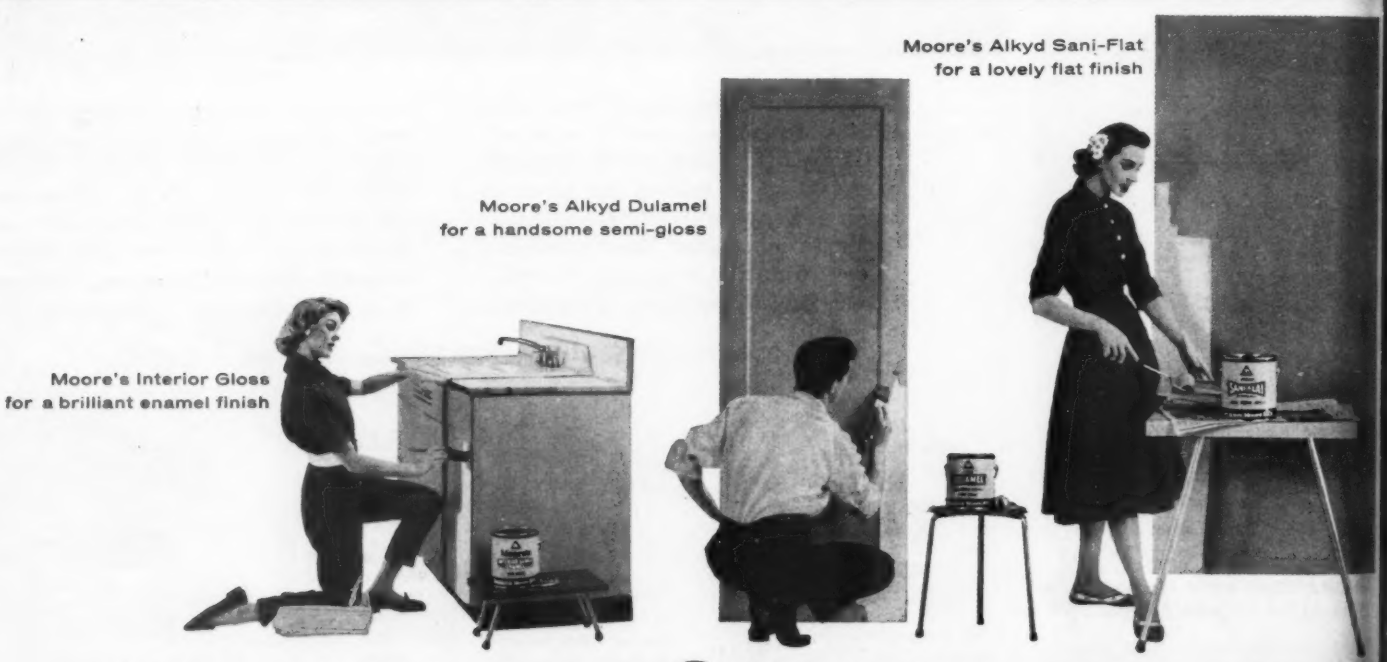
**Going away on Election Day? Vote by absentee ballot.**

**Fourth-of-July Tomato Aspic**

*Perfect go-with for baked ham, fried chicken, or cold cuts—*

2 cups tomato juice
1 small bay leaf
3 or 4 whole cloves
2 slices onion
Salt and pepper
1 teaspoon lemon juice, fresh, frozen, or canned
• • •
1 envelope (1 tablespoon) unflavored gelatin
¼ cup cold water

Simmer tomato juice, bay leaf, cloves, and onion 5 minutes; strain; add seasonings and lemon juice. Soften gelatin in cold water; dissolve in the hot mixture. Pour into individual star or plain molds. Chill until firm. If desired turn out on canned pineapple rings. Garnish top with slice of hard-cooked egg. Accent star points with French endive, pimiento strips. Pass bowl of mayonnaise. Makes 6 servings.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# Your silverware pattern

*Begins on page 99*

**English Gadroon.** The gadroon or half-almond motif copies a good-luck symbol of the Spanish Moors. It is the oldest decoration used by silversmiths and has been an important design in art for centuries.

In this handsome sterling pattern; so Traditional in feeling, the artist has used it effectively with the popular shell and scroll at the tip and base of the handle.

**Silver Rose.** For generations, the rose and scroll have been popular silver motifs. To lend a delightfully Modern touch to an old theme, the designer of this lovely sterling pattern has given an upward sweep to the rose and squared the tip of the scroll in the Oriental manner.

Combining the old and the new as it does, Silver Rose is a pattern that suits any table.

**Silver Fashion.** Modern simplicity and old-fashioned elegance combine happily in this new silverplate pattern. The pinched, fiddle-back shape and the graceful scroll and crown design were popular flatware styles in Great-grandmother's day.

But the elongated handles and the restraint in motif mark this pattern as "new" and make it correct in the Traditional or Modern setting.

**Contour.** The originators of this striking pattern, inspired by the clean, functional lines of Contemporary architecture and furniture, have avoided detailed ornament and concentrated on molding a lovely, fluid sweep of sterling silver.

The flatware has been shaped to fit comfortably in the hand and to be more efficient in use. The effect is one of quiet, sculptured beauty.


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# TOYS to build

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## *Versatile crawl-through toy*

Cut 11 triangles out of ⅜-inch exterior-grade plywood. You can get 14 of them from 4x8 sheet of plywood. Use grade A-A.

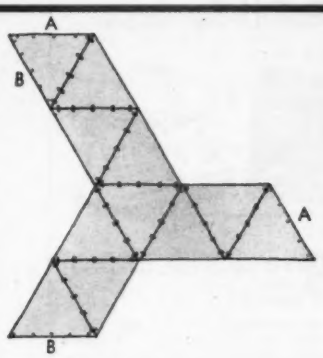
Triangles are equilateral—2 feet on edge. Round edges slightly with block plane and a rasp.

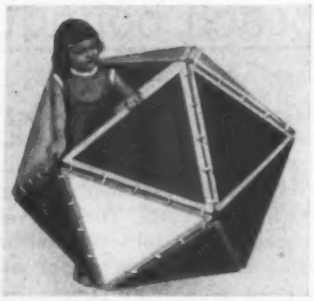
Nine of the triangles have ¼-inch holes on two sides; 2 have ¼-inch holes on three sides. They are laced together with cord.

To drill holes in triangles, clamp all 11 of them together and drill holes on two sides first—spacing them on 5-inch centers about ½-inch from the edges.

Clamp 2 triangles together and finish drilling holes on the third side. Sand, seal, and finish with exterior trim paint.

To lace triangles together, fold A to A, B to B. Pull taut.

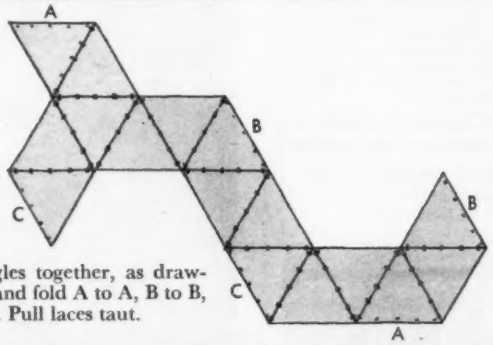


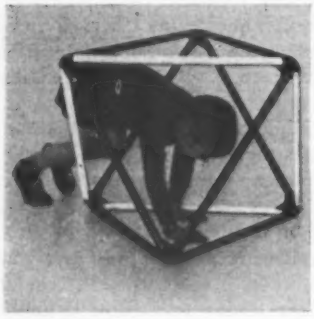
## *Big tunnel toy*

Here's a larger crawl-through toy that uses 16 equilateral triangles —2 feet on edge—in its construction. You cut out and finish component parts the same as you would the smaller toy pictured above.

By clamping the pieces together and drilling the holes at one time, lacings match better, making it easier to assemble and fold away.




Lace triangles together, as drawing shows, and fold A to A, B to B, and C to C. Pull laces taut.

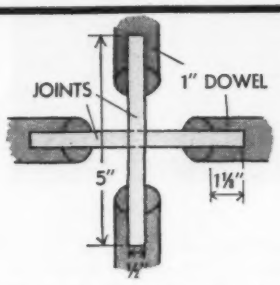


## *Dowel swing toy*

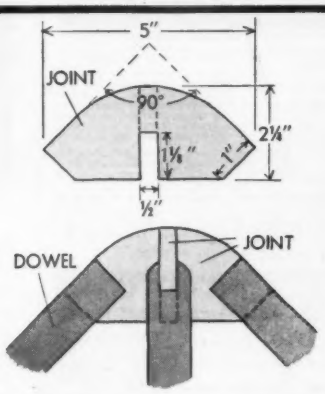
Cut twelve 1-inch dowels 24 inches long for framework. Joints are formed with ⅜-inch plywood inserts which measure 2¼x5 inches (see the drawings).

Make all joinery cuts at one time—½ to ⅛-inch dadoes in center of the inserts and the dowels. Test saw settings on scrap stock first to be sure you're right.

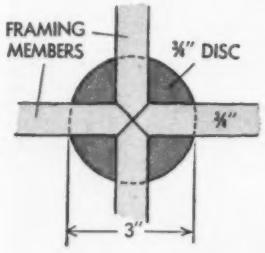
Toy locks together in strong, half-lap joints.

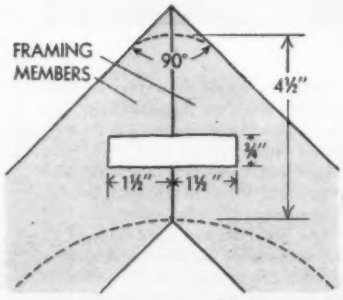



Assemble the unit "dry" first, then remove the inserts and glue them back in place. Sand; finish.



## *Plywood swing toy*



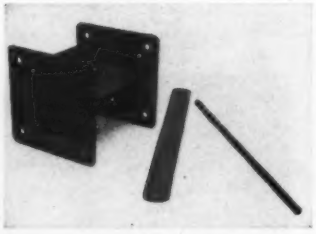




Construction techniques for this toy are similar to the one built with dowels and inserts.

First cut 12 framing members 26 inches long and 3½ inches wide. Use ¾-inch exterior plywood.

Ends of framing members are cut to 45 degrees . . . dadoes are ¾x1½ inches to accept discs.

Shape each piece on inside edge to desired arc (dotted lines in drawing below). Assemble units dry, glue them together. Finish.

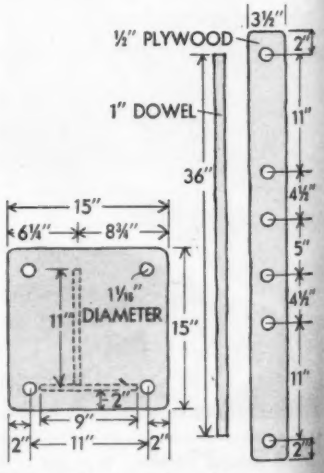


## *Building toy*

Ends and back are dadoed to accept bottom, which is glued in place. Do this by setting blades right depth of cut and lowering plywood stock over them. Clean out ends of cuts with a chisel.

The ends and bottom are 16 inches wide. Use ½-inch exterior-grade plywood for the building toys. Dowels are 1-1/16 inches in diameter; planks, ½-inch plywood with 1-1/16-inch holes.

For safety, round all "outside" edges of the toys. A block plane, rasp, and sandpaper do fast job.




Assemble the units with glue and tiny brads, countersinking them and filling holes with wood putty.

Sand, seal, and finish with two coats of exterior trim paint. Or the toys can be finished natural by using clear sealer-varnish.

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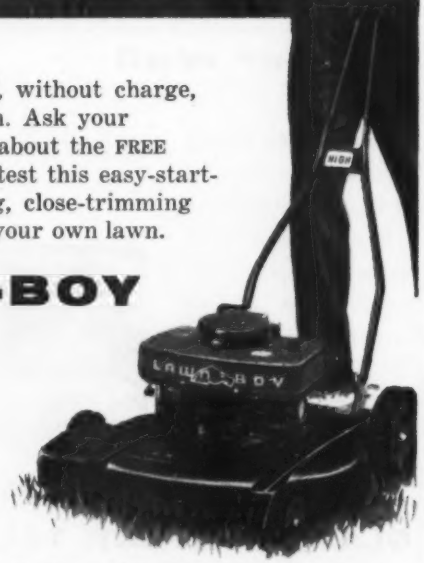

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# A new plan for privacy

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**Front door** is a pleasing picture—suggesting a charming old-world entry court that's been brought smartly up to date.

Smooth blend of patterns and textures extends from brick stoop, with bright flower accents, past keynotes of board-and-batten siding and opaque glass entry panel, up to massive post-and-beam construction members and plastic skylight.

Reception hall channels traffic back to living room and terrace, or off to either side to bedrooms or kitchen.

**Car-to-kitchen route** avoids rest of house. A turn outside front door takes you through this gate into service yard and around corner to kitchen's own entry (see plan). This view is through large window by breakfast nook. Fenced service yard is private enough for sunbathing or sitting and taking it easy

**Living room** relies on husky carpet and plant to relieve smooth simplicity of plywood panel walls. Decoration was purposely low-keyed to avoid conflict with view of terrace and space beyond.

Cabinet on far wall contains TV, radio-record-player, and speaker —each behind one of top three doors. Bottom door opens to storage room. Logs for fireplace can be reached through here.

**A dining area** is neatly fashioned in the corner of the living room that's formed by furniture grouping and this hallway divider. Pattern of cabinets on opposite wall is reflected at this end by molding nailed on wall in a similar design. Swinging doorway at right leads into kitchen. Living-room carpet is replaced by cork tile in the dining area

**View toward terrace** side of living room shows how gently ascending beams flow through glass, giving soaring, open feeling. With sliding glass doors open (left), indoor-outdoor coordination is complete. Property line runs just beyond terrace. View shows how house can often be oriented to take advantage of acres of land you don't own

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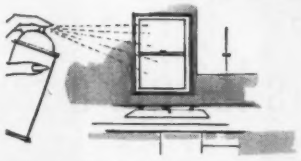

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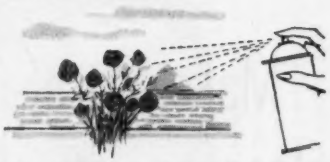

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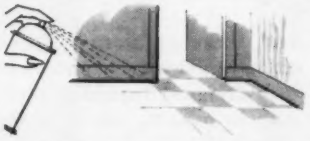

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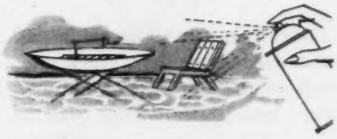

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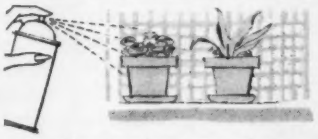

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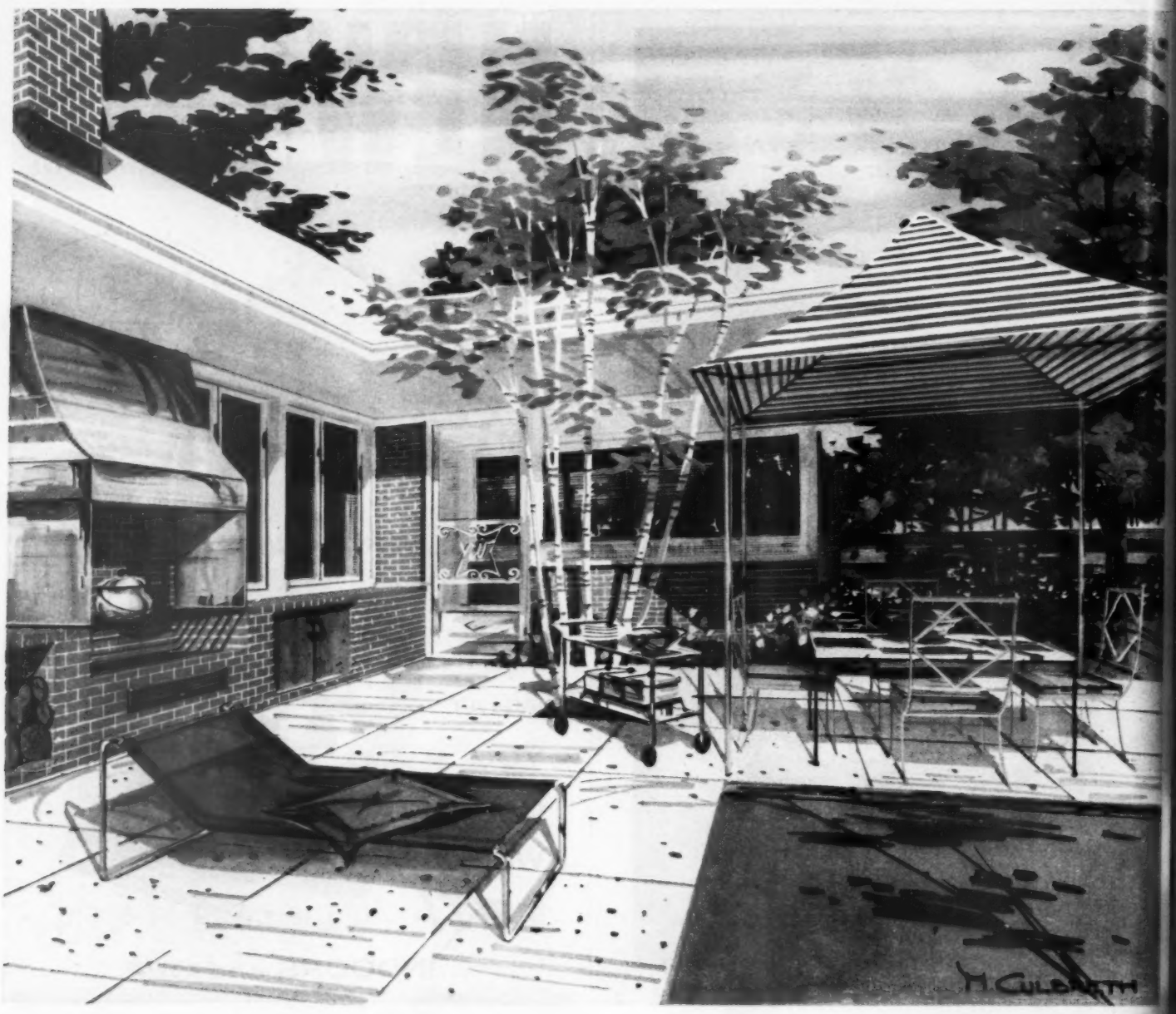


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## *How to lay paving materials on a solid mortar bed*

Mortar-base paving eliminates weeding between cracks, resists frost damage, and allows use of thinner surfacing materials. Stones and tiles cut too thin for sand-base use can be used on mortar which adds necessary strength.

The procedure illustrated here with stone is same one used with brick, tile, and other paving laid on mortar base.

**Spread 1½- to 2-inch layer of concrete over sand base. Use 3 parts crushed rock, 2½ sand, and 1 of cement, by volume. Mix dry, then add water to get a stiff mixture. Screed it level.**

**Add thin second mortar layer of 3 parts sand, 1 cement. Embed stones in this layer.**

**When stones need to be cut, to improve spacing and fitting, use cold chisel with wide cutting edge and 2- to 3-pound hammer.**

**Score on line you want, lightly at first. Gradually cut deeper until the stone splits. Spread out stones to speed up selection.**

**Check the level of surface as you go. If you get sides level, you will have no difficulty keeping the center level.**

**If area is large, center must be at least as high as the rim, preferably slightly higher to allow for drainage from center.**

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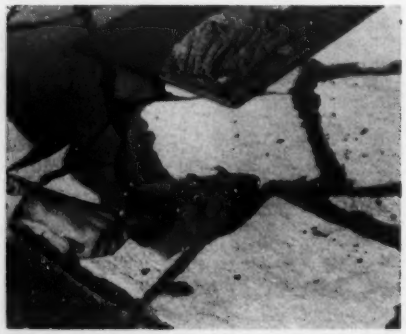
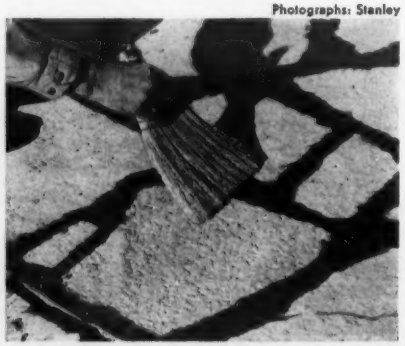


**When you have placed all paving, go back and fill the cracks. Use same sand-cement mix you embed stones in. Leave no air pockets.**

**You'll find a stiff mortar is easiest to work with at this stage. Also, fill in between forms and stones on edge of the paving.**



**After filling cracks, brush mortar with stiff whisk broom to improve texture. You can walk on stones as needed to finish job, but do not allow heavy traffic for several days.**

**Doing job in stages? Then spread no more concrete base than you can cover same day.**



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**Regardless of pattern or its complexity, the basic methods of laying paving remain the same**

# How to do your own paving

Paving, perhaps as much as any other factor, lifts a garden out of the ordinary, gives it year-around utility, and makes it easier to maintain. The earlier you add the terrace living area, and pave the necessary walks, the easier it will be for you to develop the rest of your garden plans.

If you have a few weekends, and don't mind the work, you can do your own paving without professional help. This will cut the cost in half, even if you have to buy a few extra hand tools to complete the job.

First stake out the area you want paved. Measure it to the nearest foot and figure out the number of square feet to be covered. Contractors who supply paving materials can help you estimate the cost of various materials, and you can select one that suits your needs and your budget.

There is an infinite variety of paving patterns and materials, but the method of paving breaks down into two basic groups—sand base and mortar base, both described on the following pages.

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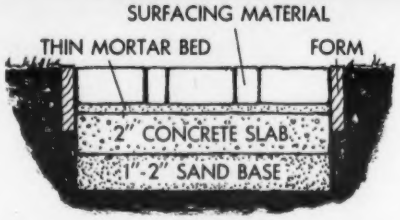
## *How to make basic form for both types of paving base*

Outline area to be paved with stakes and cord. Keep cord on side of stakes. Then excavate to depth of 4 to 6 inches (see right).

When excavation is done, add a wood form as described below. The form is required for both mortar- and sand-base paving. You will need it for leveling paving and to hold mortar in place.




**Depth you excavate depends on type of base you plan to use. Diagram above shows typical mortar base in cross section.**

**To figure exact depth to excavate, add depth of paving to depth of mortar and sand base. Or, if you plan to use just a sand base, add to the depth of the sand alone.**

**With cord as a guide, drive stakes around the outside of excavated area. Keep surfaces of stakes square with the cord. You'll need a stake every 30 to 36 inches.**

**Nail 1x4s to these stakes. Keep tops level with the final grade desired for paving.**

**As you nail forms in place, check their level frequently—not only down sides, but across area to be paved. Use plywood to form curves.**

**You can get by with "eye-leveling" the soil base, but not the boundary form. It will be your standard level once it is in place.**

**Add 2 inches of sand and soak it thoroughly. It is very important to settle the sand completely to prevent settling later.**

**If you add mortar, it will crack without a firm base. Brick or stone set on dry sand will settle enough to give an uneven surface.**

**After soaking the sand, level it with a screed to the depth you need. This will depend on the thickness of the surfacing material, and on whether or not you plan to use a mortar base.**

**If you do not plan to use a mortar base, the leveled sand is now ready for final paving.**



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## *How to lay paving materials directly on a sand base*

Bricks, tile, stones, concrete slabs, and wood rounds can be placed directly on a sand base if desired.

If you pave beneath trees, sand base may be preferred because it lets water and air down to roots. But maintenance will be greater—weeding between the cracks and occasional leveling of paving which has settled or heaved.

**Secret of good sand-base paving is careful tamping and fitting, to reduce settling. Tamp sand under each paving unit as you lay it.**

**Sand base provides drainage, simplifies laying, and reduces frost heaving. If you do job in stages, soak sand each time you begin work.**

**A great variety of patterns can be worked out with most standard paving materials. To save time, experiment on grass or drive first.**

**Here, 8-inch tiles in a staggered pattern are used with standard bricks of same color. These fill 4-inch end gaps exactly.**

**As you finish each row of paving, tamp it firmly to settle and to smooth surface. Use a stout board—don't tamp directly on the paving itself or you might crack it.**

**Check edges of paving often to see that they line up with the edges of the form.**

**When you have finished laying the paving, brush sand between the cracks. Dry sand will sift better but isn't essential.**

**Do a good job of filling the cracks and you'll have less rocking and shifting of the tiles or whatever paving material you use.**

**After brushing in all the sand you can, spread more sand and wash it between cracks with a hose. Repeat until cracks are filled.**

**Remove the forms and replace sod around outside of paving, or leave forms in place. Either way, the paving is ready for use.**

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# More house here than meets the eye

***By Cynthia Eyre***

LOOKING from streetside, you see a fresh, compact one-story house . . . a good example of today's thinking in architecture. What you *don't* see is another thousand square feet of living space that's in a lower level. It's open at the rear for all the light and ventilation that go to make this anything but a "basement." It has been designed to order for that common building problem: the slightly sloping lot. Here, it's the kind of problem that's easy to solve.

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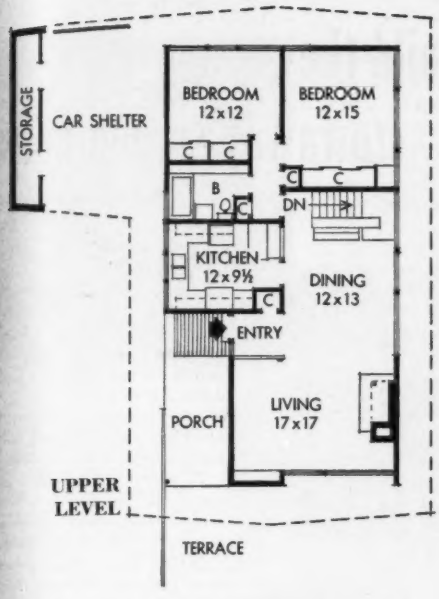
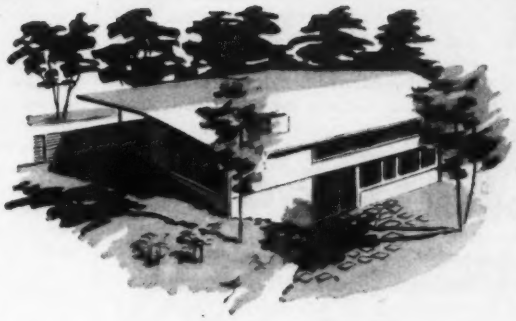
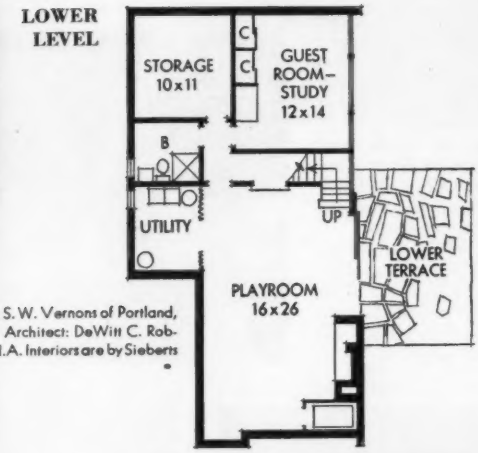
Living room floor-to-ceiling windows visually link terrace and view beyond with indoor activity. Compact but well-placed furniture grouping gains floor space by bearing wall set back from usual roof-peak position. Bookcase will one day house built-in music corner



Turn right at covered entry and you come to this sunny sitting spot. It's shielded from street and wind by fence. House was precisely oriented to view. Large glass areas take advantage of it



← View of entire house shows how gradually sloping lot allows playroom, study-guest room to open out onto lower terrace. Rooms use plenty of glass since diminishing grade assures their privacy




Owners: S. W. Vernons of Portland, Oregon. Architect: DeWitt C. Robinson, A.I.A. Interiors are by Sieberts

An inexpensive rectangle, house would easily adapt to an economy lot. It's 47 feet long, 42 (with carport) wide

Photographs: Hedrich-Blessing

Dining area unobtrusively couples onto living room (see plan above). Both can function as one if needed. Piano built into banister exemplifies thrifty use of space throughout house. Steps behind lead to lower-level playroom, terrace

Glass around entry gives it a welcome look. It also brightens hallway formed by interesting, inexpensive divider (sheet and a half of ½-inch plywood). Simple glass square forms cover, frame for old Chinese scroll

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# How to build the stowaway screen house

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Chamfer (bevel) both edges of 2x4 side members above hinge pins so the pins are easy to put in or remove when panels are assembled or taken down for storage.

After panels are assembled and hinges are mounted, hinge them together for alignment.

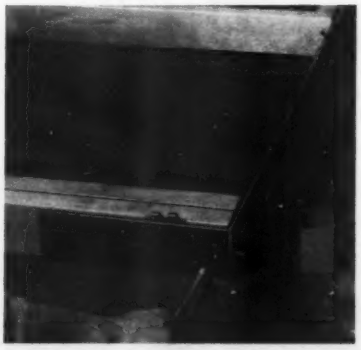
If hinges are slightly mismatched, you can loosen the screws and move hinges a little one way or the other.

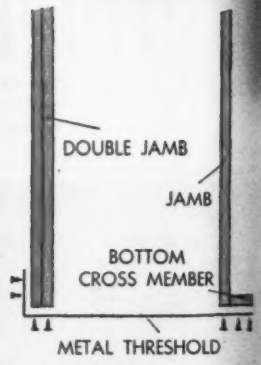
If they don't align properly now, remove and refit them.

On door panel, nail (or screw) in the jambs and header. Position of these members will be determined by the size of screen door you use.

Members on which door will hinge should be doubled for additional support. Spike them together, staggering the nails for more strength.

Bottom cross member (see drawing below) can be rabbeted or butt-jointed to door jamb. Metal threshold provides the strength the joint needs at this point.






Fasten metal threshold to side of door jamb and bottom of cross member. Use No. 10, 1½-inch flathead wood screws, countersinking them slightly in the metal. Width of the threshold should be a little less than width of the 2x4 framing members, or about 3½ inches.

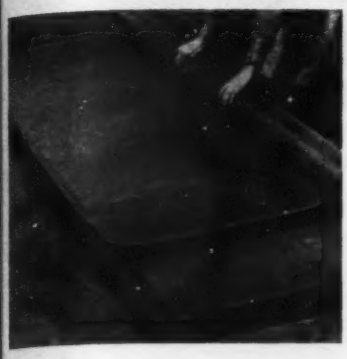
Sheet-metal shop where you can buy light-gauge steel will bend the threshold at right angles; some shops will drill pilot holes for screws.

Screw 2x6 "kick boards" to side framing members (to jamb and side member on door panel) so top of 2x6 is 2′6″ from bottom edge of bottom framing member.

These members add rigidity to the panels and afford "stapling strips" for the glass-fiber screening and molding.

Seal panels with a coat of penetrating resin sealer or use one of the paintable wood preservatives. Then paint them. Or finish natural.

## *Finishing and screening*



Glass-fiber screening goes on next. You can buy it in 6-foot widths. Or use narrower metal screening with additional framing members to fasten it to the screen panels.

Staple screening to edges of framing members that will face *interior* of structure.

Fasten it to side members first, then to top members and top edge of kick board. Screen below kick board same way. Stretch screening as taut as possible as you go.

Nail screen molding flush with inside edges of framing members after you cut lengths to fit and miter the corners.

You can trim screening before you tack on molding, or cut it after molding is on, using edge of strips to guide sharp knife.

It's easier to paint or finish the molding first. If you'll use molding in roof construction (instead of grommets) finish it along with the rest.

Hinge screen door to double jambs and install latch and door closer. You'll probably have to plane edges of door so it opens and closes without sticking and binding.

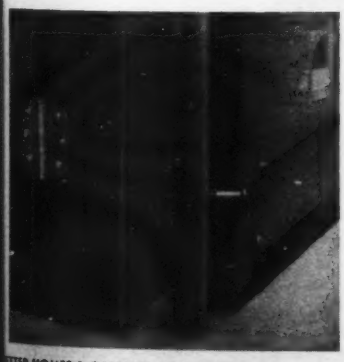
Door-stop molding is nailed to the door-framing members after door is hung. Close door so it's flush with front edges of the framing to find where the molding goes.

With tiny piece of door molding, shim out for screws that hold closer on (arrow).

To prevent insects from entering through openings where the panels hinge together, cut 1⅝-inch diameter closet poles 76″ long to fill the space.

Position poles between panels and, from the inside of the screen house, drill holes in center of poles to accept ¼- by 2-inch bolts.

Holes are located inch or so above each hinge. Bolts, wide washers, and wing nuts hold poles tightly in place.



Mortise out pole to accept thickness of metal threshold that's fastened to side of the double door jamb. Sharp jackknife does a fast job.

So hinges on panels match when you assemble them, key each side member with tiny storm window-screen numbers you can buy. Also key closet poles this way.

For accent and styling, the poles are painted a different color than the framing.

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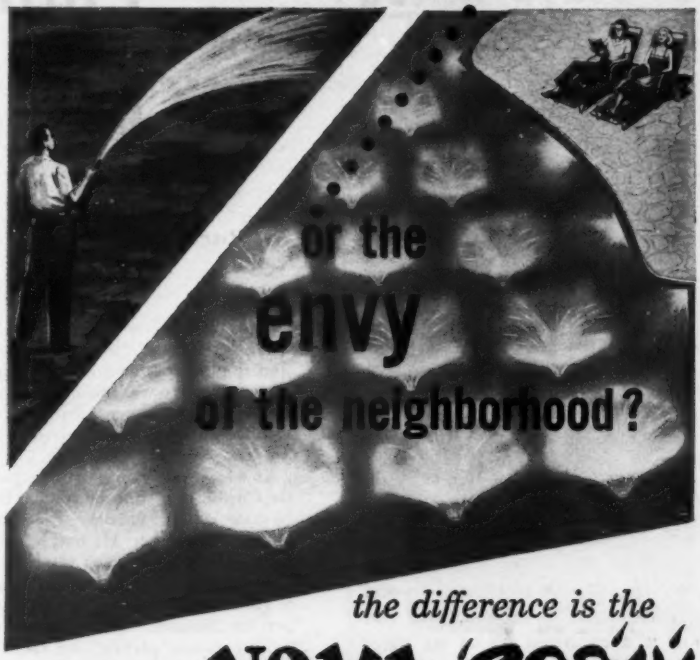


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I went all over my grass, counting different kinds of weeds. I found 38 different samples in no time at all

***July 1*** "Hi there," called someone and it plumb scared me. I didn't know anybody was around. At the moment I was down on my knees setting out a few late cabbage plants.

It was Janet, come over to pick the raspberries from the rows at the bottom of our garden. In a bit Donald joined her. He had left the kids with Maggie up at the house.

I was told that Donald had finally got round to spading up another bed for annuals. "Is it too late to set out annual plants?" he asked.

"No, if you water them in with a starter solution, like I'm doing these cabbages," I replied. "Would you like some marigolds?"

They would. So I went to my annual bed where I had a lot of dwarf marigolds that needed thinning. I thinned them out and soon had a flat filled with plants.

***July 2*** Summer, sure enough, with jolly old thermometer getting up toward 90 just before time to get out and to work.

Roses are in pretty good bloom. There is still color on some of the Mid-Century lilies. The summer-blooming daylilies are doing their usual stuff. The petunias—Linda, Prima Donna, Crusader, Pale Face, and so on—are getting colorful, and likewise the marigolds. If only it were not for the weeds.

In came David, back from 2 weeks at reserve camp. Word is, he has been promoted to some different kind of sergeant. Now Maggie will have to rip off all those things she sewed on his sleeves and sew on the new kind.

As we ate supper, I made oration to let him know that among the food items, the lettuce, potatoes, green beans, and the raspberries in the cobbler were all home-produced.

***July 3*** On the dining table, as I came in to supper was a great bouquet of bright orange Asclepias tuberosa—or butterflyweed.

It wasn't a fancy arrangement such as the garden-club ladies think up, with a theme such as "Thoughts on looking from the hill, across the valley, to the old country school." It was just an old-fashioned bouquet.

***July 4*** Clang the bell in every steeple. Our one and only magnolia is breaking out in bloom today—after having made a full show at the regular time back about April.

Holiday or no, put on my garden regalia and hurried outdoors. The soil in the west rose bed had dried out enough. With my two-pronged hoe, I bent low and began to get out the weeds.

***July 8*** On this terribly hot and humid late afternoon, I had a sorta lawn and garden tea-party affair. I was giving the rose ladies in the new rose bed an afternoon feed. Among the pretty guests were Ma Perkins, Lilibet, Mrs. Inge Poulsen, Queen Elizabeth, and Helen Traubel.

In other words, I started in on my plant-food program which goes along with the weeding and the cultivating.

***July 10*** Today I was insulted. If I weren't somewhat educated, I'd never even known about it. An old friend, who is a noted authority on lawns, came to visit. We walked all over my place—front yard and back, and up and down the garden paths.

"Your lawn is surely an interesting study in ecology," he remarked as we finished. That was just his highbrow way of saying, "Your lawn has the most 'goshawful' collection of weeds I ever saw." That's what he really meant and I knew it and he knew I knew it.

After he left, I went all over my grass, counting different kinds of weeds. I found 38 different samples in no time.

***July 13*** About the equivalent of three hurricanes struck the inside of our house this summer afternoon.

Maggie babysat with Gary and Danny. They were all over the house. Into everything. When it came time to get supper, Maggie called me in from my lawnmowing to take over.

So I took the two youngsters out for a walk. Danny wanted to toddle into the roses. While I was rescuing him, Gary was pulling the flowers off the butterflyweeds. Both pulled pansy blooms.

***July 19*** Sorta roundish brown patches are showing up on my lawn, right in the middle out in front. This brown patch is a fungus disease, brought on by the rain and hot weather of recent days. Control to keep it from spreading is to treat with a mercury compound.

You know what? If I did have a perfect lawn, with no weeds, no troubles, it wouldn't be interesting any more. No place to try out new experiments.

***July 24*** Our family was disgraced today. It was David. He came out

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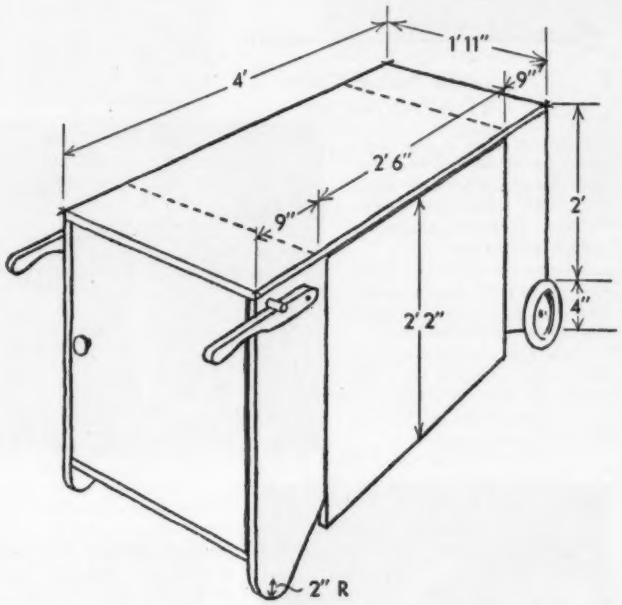
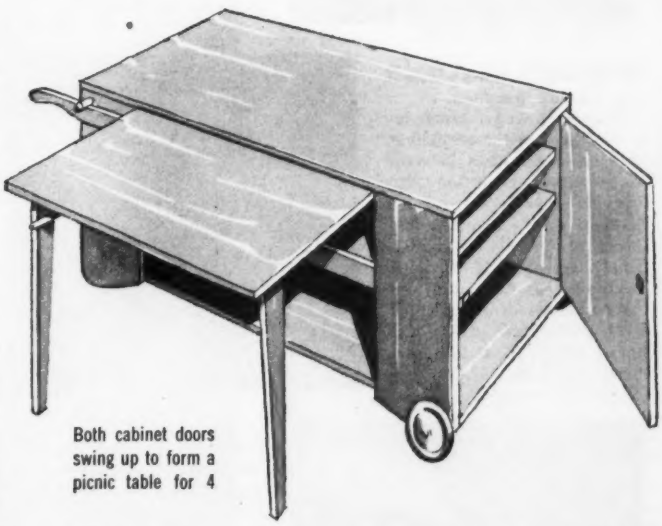



To build the cookout cart, first cut out all the component parts. Dimensions are for parts dressed to size. Major construction procedures are given here; rest of how-to falls in line as you progress.

Glue and nail the four sides to the top and bottom and install long shelf cleats which are screwed to the two inner partitions (dotted lines). Partitions separate ends and middle shelf areas, and they are screwed and glued to the top and bottom of the cart.



Both cabinet doors swing up to form a picnic table for 4

Fit long shelves—inside cart—and screw them to the cleats. Cabinet doors and drop leaves on the sides go on next. Use piano hinges to fasten them on. Knee hinges are used for tapered legs.

Drill holes in sides for 1-inch handle stops, glue them in place, and fit and bolt on handles, using washers for easy operation. For best results, counterbore holes for handle bolts. Axle for wheels slips through holes in side pieces; wheels (6 inch with wide tread) are cotter-keyed to axle. To complete job, install shelves in ends. They can be stationary (glue and nail them in place) or adjustable.

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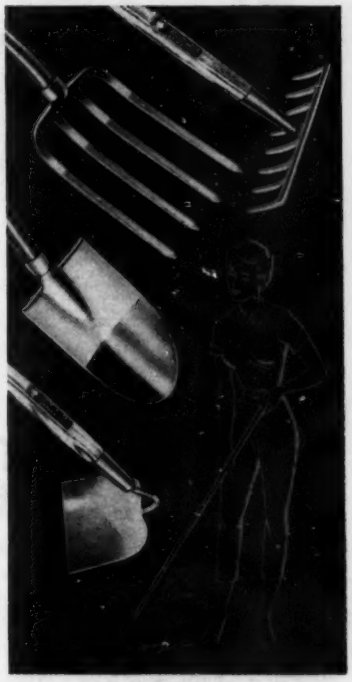

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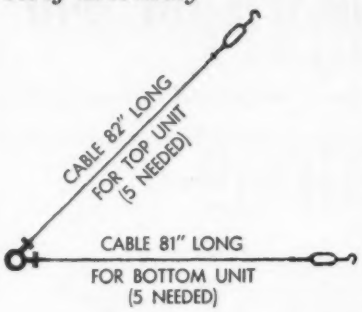
## *Roof assembly*




Cut five cables for the bottom cable unit so they'll measure *exactly* 81 inches long from end of turnbuckles to center washer, as drawing shows.

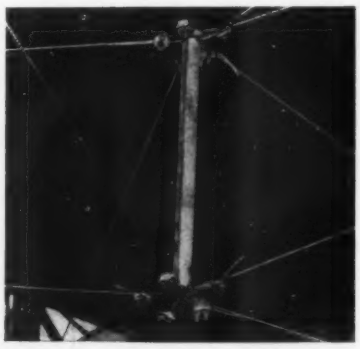
The five cables for top unit should measure *exactly* 82 inches long from end of turnbuckles to center washer.

Leave inch or so cable for fastening to turnbuckles and washers. Run screw eyes and hooks out of turnbuckles far enough to take up slack later.

Run screw eyes in top cross members about 3 inches from top edge of side framing members. The screw eyes accept "hooks" on turnbuckles when you attach cables.

Fasten the turnbuckles and cables to screw eyes, making sure you have the right turnbuckle on right screw eye.

Now move panels so you have equal tension on each cable. Match up washers. For roof crown, insert an 18-inch pole between washers.



Wrap loose ends of cable and cable connectors with tape to prevent them from tearing plastic or canvas roof material. Cloth tape works best.

For quick assembly of the panels, color-key each turnbuckle and screw eye so they match. Or use screen numbers.

Screw-hook on end of one turnbuckle on each cable unit has to be removed so rest of unit can be "hooked up" or disassembled without lengthening or shortening rest.

Fasten roof to front edges of top framing members.

You can have grommets installed in plastic or canvas roofing material and use nails to hold it on, as shown.

Or you can fasten it down with strips of screen molding bradded in place. Roof here is thin polyethylene film that's commonly used as a moisture-vapor barrier in building.

If you buy the plastic material, be sure to ask for extra-heavy thickness.

Hand brace drives the screw hooks for canvas adapters, if you will use them. Fit screw hook between jaws of chuck and set ratchet (arrow).

Match the screw hooks with grommets in the panels. They should be recessed about an inch from the facing edge of the framing members.

To install panels, start at top, then do sides and bottom.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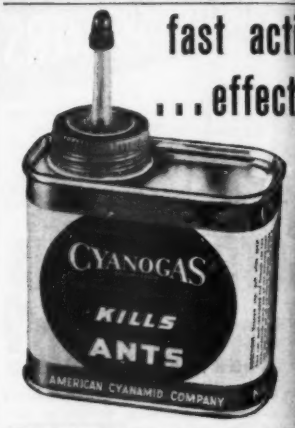


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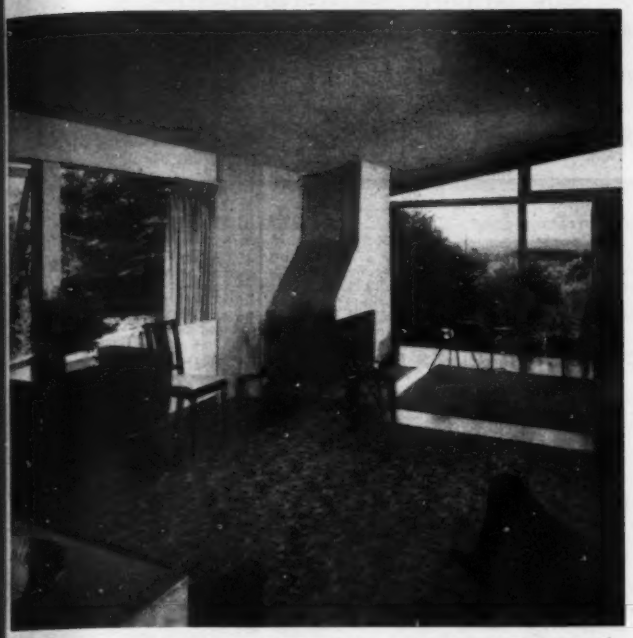

Fireplace corner, by the way it's faced between living and dining areas, becomes focal point for both. Change of carpets with strip of floor between effectively divides areas while leaving them open. Middle pane of dining area glass swings out for ventilation. Grove of maple trees outside presents ever-changing, year-round panorama

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*Kitchen-Utility Division Winners* will be refunded the full purchase price of *American Kitchen Roto-Tray Dishwasher, Stack-on-Oven, Counter-top Range* and all other *American Kitchen* products if used in the winning project.

### American-Standard

*Plumbing & Heating Division*
*Best-of-Contest Winners* will receive a cash refund equal to the retail cost of *American-Standard Bathroom, Kitchen* or *Heating products* or any combination of these products used in their winning entry.

### Andersen Corporation

*Qualifying Winners in all Divisions* who use *Andersen Windows* in their home improvement project will receive a refund of the retail cost of those *Andersen* products used.

### The Autoyre Company

*Kitchen-Utility Qualifying Winners* will be awarded an *Autoyre Master Bath Set* of 6 matching *Lustre-Chrome* Accessories.

### Azrock Floor Products

*Division of Uvalde Rock Asphalt Company*
*All Division Winners* will receive a cash refund of the purchase price of any of these products if used in their winning entries: *Vina-Lux vinyl asbestos tile, Azphlex vinylized tile,* or *Azrock asphalt tile.*

### T. Baumritter Co., Inc.

*Ethan Allen American provincial furniture, Birchcraft casual modern furniture, Roomates furniture, Viko furniture or Restocrat reclining chairs* in their winning living rooms, dining room, bedrooms, kitchens, rumpus rooms, or porches will receive the following prizes:
*First Prize Winner (Best-of-Contest):*
Full refund price of all *Baumritter* furniture mentioned above—purchased in 1956—for your entry plus a bonus of $50.00 in cash toward decoration and accessories for your room.
*Second Prize Winner (Best-of-Contest):*
Full refund price of all *Baumritter* furniture mentioned above—purchased in 1956—for your entry.
*Third Prize Winner (Best-of-Contest):*
Full refund price of all *Baumritter* furniture mentioned above—purchased in 1956—for your entry up to $250.00.
Winners must produce satisfactory evidence of their product purchase and the name of the dealer.

### The Black & Decker Manufacturing Co.

*All Division Winners* will win a $50.00 certificate that can be turned in at any *Black & Decker* dealer on any *Black & Decker* merchandise.

### Blue Ridge Glass

*Libbey • Owens • Ford*
*Division Winners* using *Blue Ridge Patterned Glass* in their winning home improvement project will receive a refund of the purchase price of the glass. Winners must show suitable evidence of purchase price and use of *Blue Ridge Patterned Glass.*

### Bolta Products

*Division* of the *General Tire & Rubber Co. Interior* and *Addition Division Winners* who use *Bolta-Wall Tile* in their winning entry will be refunded the full retail purchase price of the *Bolta-Wall Tile* used. Winners must show suitable evidence of purchase and use in winning entry.

### E. L. Bruce Company

*All Division Winners* will receive the refund price of any *Bruce Prefinished Floors* used in their home improvement project.

### Bryant

*Best-of-Contest Winners* will receive a cash refund of the published retail price, either a *Bryant furnace* or *Bryant cooling unit* if used in their winning project. If both *Bryant cooling* and *heating units* are installed, winners will receive a refund of the purchase price on the cooling unit only. Installation costs are not included. Winners must show evidence of purchase in 1956.

### Bulldog Electric Products Co.

*Division Winners* in the *Interiors, Additions,* and *Kitchen-Utility* sections will be awarded *double* the current list price of any *Duo-Guard Pushmatic Electri-Center* panelboard and/or any *Electrostrip* multiple outlet assembly used in their entries. Winners must show suitable evidence that the products were purchased in 1956.

### Cabin Crafts, Incorporated

*Interior-Division Winners* who use any *Cabin Crafts-Needletuft Carpeting, Rugs* and/or *Bedspreads* in their project will receive a full refund price of those products used.

### Cameo Curtains, Inc.

*Qualifying Winners in all Divisions* who use *Cameo Curtains* or *Draperies* in their winning project will be refunded the full purchase price by *Cameo Curtains, Inc.*

### The Celotex Corporation

*Best-of-Contest Winners* will receive a cash refund of these *Celotex Building Products* if used in their winning entries—*interior finishes, rock wool insulation, hardboard, sheathing, siding, asphalt shingles, gypsum wallboard, lath, floor underlayment, backer board* and *Cemesto.*

### Columbus Coated Fabrics Corporation

*Interior Division Winners* who use *Wall-Tex* in their winning entry will receive the full purchase price in refund or will be given enough *Wall-Tex* of their preference to finish any other room.

### Congoleum-Nairn Inc.

*All Division Winners* will receive a refund of the purchase price or merchandise equivalent of any *Congoleum-Nairn Gold Seal Floor* and/or *Wall products* used.

### Crane Co.

*Best-of-Contest Winners* will receive a cash refund equal to the retail cost of any 1956 purchases of *Crane bathroom, kitchen,* or *heating* products if used in the winning entry.

### Cribben & Sexton Company

*Kitchen-Utility Division Winners* whose winning project is a kitchen improvement and uses a 1956 *Universal Gas Range* will be refunded the product purchase price.

### Crosley and Bendix

*Home Appliances Division*
*AVCO Manufacturing Corporation*
*Kitchen-Utility Division Winners* will receive a refund of the purchase price of any *Crosley* or *Bendix* products used in their prizewinning entry. Suitable evidence must be shown of purchase and use of *Crosley* or *Bendix* Home Appliance products in their projects.

### Delta Power Tool

*Division of Rockwell Manufacturing Co.*
*Best-of-Contest and Division Winners* will receive a refund up to $300 of the cost of *Delta Tools* bought in 1956 and used in building your winning entry. Sales slip will be sufficient proof of 1956 purchase.

### Detroit Controls

Contest winners will receive a cash refund equal to the retail cost of the *Ca-412 Classic Thermostat* when used in their winning entry.

### DeWalt, Incorporated

*Class "A" Division Winners in the Exterior, Interior, Kitchen-Utility Room Divisions* who use 1956 DeWalt power tools in their winning projects will receive a refund of the product cost of the tools used. Winners must show suitable evidence of their *1956* purchase and use of DeWalt tools in their winning projects.

### E. I. DuPont De Nemours & Co., Inc.

*All Division Winners* who use *Dupont Paints* in their winning project will be refunded the full product purchase price by the dealer from whom it was bought. Winners must show suitable evidence of the purchase & use of *DuPont Paints.*

### Edwards & Company, Inc.

*Interior Qualifying and Division Winners* will be presented with *Edwards Door Chimes*—Division Winners will receive a *Canterbury Chime* (C-62); Qualifying Winners will receive a choice of any one of these *Edwards Door Chimes, Bolero* (C-21 or C-20), *Minuet* (C-22 or C-23) or *Hideaway* (C-32).

### Ekco Products Company

*Best-of-Contest Winners* will be presented with these *Ekco* stainless steel cooking utensils:
*First Prize Winner*—12-piece *Master Delux Flint-Ware* set.
*Second Prize Winner*—11-piece *Flint-Ware Homemaker's* set.
*Third Prize Winner*—9-piece *Flint-Ware Family* set.
*Kitchen-Utility Division Winners* will be presented with a 6-piece *Flint-Ware Starter* set.

### Eljer

*Division of Murray Corporation of America*
*Division Winners in the Interior, Addition and Kitchen-Utility Divisions* who use *Eljer Fixtures* in their winning project will receive a refund of the product costs of those *Eljer products* used (installation costs excluded). Winners must show suitable evidence of purchase price and use of *Eljer* products in their winning entries.

### The Formica Company

*Kitchen-Utility Division Winners* using *Beauty Bonded Formica* in their winning entry will receive an additional $500 in prize money.

### Frigidaire Appliances

*Best-of-Contest Awards*
If you win *1st prize*, product costs will be refunded on any or all of the following 1956 *Frigidaire* products purchased: *refrigerators, ranges, food freezers, washer* and *dryer, dishwasher, room air conditioner* or *central air conditioner* up to 5 tons.
If you win *2nd prize*, product costs will be reimbursed on any or all of the 1956 *Frigidaire* appliances purchased mentioned above for first prize winners except *washer* and *dryer* or a *Frigidaire air conditioner* up to 3 tons.
If you win *3rd prize*, product costs will be reimbursed on any or all of the following 1956 *Frigidaire* products purchased: *refrigerator, range, washer,* or *dryer* or a *central air conditioner* up to 2 tons.
*Kitchen-Utility Division*
If you win one of the next four prizes in the *Kitchen-Utility Division*, product costs will be refunded on any 1956 *Frigidaire refrigerator* or *range* purchased or *both* prizes awarded only for entries in a single contest category. Only one prize awarded per winner. Winners must produce satisfactory evidence of their product purchase and cost.

### Frigidaire Residential Air Conditioning

*Best-of-Contest Awards*
*First prize winner* will be refunded the product costs on *Frigidaire Central Air Conditioner* unit up to 5 tons purchased in 1956. Installation costs are excluded in refund price.
*Second prize winner* will be reimbursed on the product costs on *Frigidaire* products as mentioned above up to a 3-ton unit.
*Third prize winner* will receive full refund on the *Frigidaire Central Air Conditioner* as above, but cannot exceed a 2-ton unit.
Winners must provide satisfactory evidence of their product purchase and cost excluding installation.

### General Electric Company

*Home Heating & Cooling Department*
*Qualifying Winners in the Interior Division* will be awarded a 1956 *General Electric Electronic Air Cleaner* and $50.00 for installation (or the equivalent in cash) if *General Electric heating* and *air conditioning products* are used in their winning entries.

### General Electric Co.

*Appliance and Television Receiver Division*
If you win any one of the four $500 prizes in the Kitchen-Utility Division and you have used a 1956 model G-E refrigerator, freezer, range, water heater, or dishwasher as part of your winning entry, the major appliance division of General Electric Co. will refund your actual purchase price. Please save your sales slip (installation costs are not included).

### Geneva Modern Kitchens

*Division of Acme Steel Company*
*Kitchen-Utility Division Winners* will be refunded the full purchase price of all 1956 *Geneva* equipment used in their winning project. This includes *Geneva cabinets, sinks, counter tops, and accessories* (excluding installation). Winners must show suitable evidence of purchase and use.

### Georgia-Pacific Plywood Co.

*Best-of-Contest Winners* will receive a refund of the retail value if any of these *Georgia-Pacific Plywood* products are used in the winning entries—Georgia Pacific *Textured Wall Panelling;* Georgia Pacific *Striated Plywood;* Georgia Pacific *Hardwood Paneling* or *Savannah Oak Paneling;* or Georgia Pacific *Plastic-Faced Plywood.*

### Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.

*All Division Winners* who use any exterior masonry paint or concrete floor enamel made with *Pliolite* in their winning entry will be refunded full product purchase price (names of suppliers on request). Winners must show suitable evidence that paint used contains *Pliolite.*

### Hamilton-Beach Company

*Division of Scovill Manufacturing Co.*
*Best-of-Contest Winners*
If you win one of the three *Best-of-Contest awards (1st, 2nd or 3rd prize)*, the *Hamilton Beach Company* will present you with a new *Hamilton Beach Food Mixer, Liqui-Blender, Home Drink Mixer,* and a *"Deep-Clean" Vacuum Cleaner.*
*Division Winners.*
If you are one of the 16 *Division Winners*, you will be presented with a *Hamilton Beach Liqui-Blender.*
*Qualifying Winners*
If you are one of the 128 *Qualifying Winners*, you will be presented with a new *Hamilton Beach Mixette.*

### Hamilton Manufacturing Corporation

*Kitchen-Utility Division Winners* will be presented with a *Cosco Step Stool* (model 4-M) by the *Hamilton Manufacturing Corporation.*

### The Hobart Manufacturing Co.

*Kitchen-Utility Division Winners* will receive a refund of the purchase price of a *Kitchenaid Dishwasher* if it is used in their winning remodeling project. Suitable evidence must be shown of purchase and use of *Kitchenaid Dishwasher* in their winning project.

### Hunter-Douglas Corporation

*Best-of-Contest Winners* and/or *All Division Winners* will receive $500 cash allowance for any of the following *Flexalum* products used in their home improvement projects—*Twi-Nighter Venetian Blinds, Flexalum Drapery Draperies* and/or *Flexalum Aluminum Awnings.*

### S. C. Johnson & Son—Beautiflor

*Qualifying Winners* will receive a complete *Beautiflor Waxing Kit* for cleaning and waxing floors. This kit includes a long-handled waxer, two buffing pads, a steel-wool cleaning pad and a pint of *Beautiflor. Division Winners* will receive, in addition to the prizes won in the qualifying round, a year's supply of *Beautiflor.*

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*The Stanley Works*

*Qualifying Winners* in the *Interior Division* will receive a refund of the purchase price of any *Judd Drapery Hardware* used in their winning entries.

### Kimberly Clark Corporation
*Marvalon—The Miracle Decorative Material*

*Qualifying Winners* in the *Kitchen-Utility Division* will receive a cash refund equal to the retail cost of the *Marvalon Shelf Lining, Drawer Lining*, and *Adhesive Veneer* used in improvement projects.

### The Kitchen Maid Corporation

*Best-of-Contest Winners* will receive a cash refund of the retail price of any *Kitchen Maid cabinets* used in their winning project. Winners must provide suitable evidence of purchase and cost.

### Kohler Company
*Plumbing Fixtures Division*

*Best-of-Contest Winners* (first, second, and third prize) will receive a cash refund equal to the product cost (only) of complete sets of *Kohler Bathroom*, or *Powder Room*, or *Kitchen, Utility* or *Laundry Room Fixtures* with fittings used in the winning improvement projects.

### Lennox Industries Inc.
*Heating and Air Conditioning*

To any of the 128 *Qualifying Winners* who have installed a *Lennox Heating* system during 1956, a central *Lennox Air Conditioning* unit will be awarded free. If both *Lennox Heating* and *Air Conditioning* have been installed by any one of the 128 Qualifying Winners during 1956, the cost for the air conditioning (equipment only) will be refunded.

### Levolor Lorentzen, Inc.

*Qualifying Winners in all Divisions* who use *Levolor Venetian blinds* in their winning project will receive a refund of the product purchase price.

### Lightolier

*Best-of-Contest Awards*

*First Prize Winner* will be awarded $150 credit toward the retail price of any additional *Lightolier* merchandise you wish to purchase. This award includes lighting fixtures; wall, floor, table or ceiling lamps or outdoor lighting fixtures.

*Second Prize Winners* will receive free $100 worth of additional *Lightolier* merchandise at retail price.

If you are among the 16 divisional contest winners you will receive free $25 worth of additional *Lightolier* fixtures; wall, floor, table or ceiling lamps and outdoor lighting fixtures.

All contest winners must provide suitable evidence that their entries use *Lightolier* lamps and/or fixtures.

### Lord & Burnham Greenhouses

*Best-of-Contest Awards*

If you win *first prize* using an *Orlyt Greenhouse* in your home improvement project, you will receive a refund of up to $500 of the purchase price of the *Orlyt Greenhouse*.

If you win *second prize* using an *Orlyt Greenhouse* in your home improvement project, you will receive a refund of up to $300 of the purchase price of the *Orlyt Greenhouse*.

If you win *third prize* using an *Orlyt Greenhouse* in your home improvement project, you will receive a refund of up to $200 of the purchase price of the *Orlyt Greenhouse*.

Suitable evidence of purchase during 1956, and use of the *Orlyt Greenhouse* in the prizewinning project must be furnished.

### Magic Chef, Incorporated

*Kitchen-Utility Division Winners* will receive a refund of the full purchase price of any 1956 *Magic Chef Gas Range* used in their winning project. Suitable evidence of purchase and use must be shown.

### Marsh Wall Products, Inc.

*Division Winners* in the *Interior, Addition*, and *Kitchen-Utility Divisions* will receive a refund equal to the purchase price of *Marlite Paneling* used in their winning entries.

### The Mosaic Tile Company

*Best-of-Contest Winners* will be reimbursed for the list price of any *Mosaic Tile* used in their award-winning entry and purchased in 1956, to the limit of $1,000 each. Proof of purchase must be shown.

### Mueller Climatrol Heating and Air Conditioning

*Best-of-Contest Winners* will receive a cash refund equal to the retail cost (equipment only) of the *Mueller Climatrol Heating* and *Air Conditioning* unit they have installed in their homes, if installed during 1956. If both *Mueller Climatrol Heating* and *Air Conditioning* have been installed during 1956, the cost for air conditioning (equipment only) will be refunded.

### National Chemical and Mfg. Co.

*Qualifying Winners in all Divisions* using *Luminall Paint* in their winning home improvement project will receive a refund of the purchase price of the *Luminall Paint* used.

### Newcastle Products, Inc.

*Qualifying Winners in the Interior, Additions and Kitchen-Utility Divisions* will receive refund of the purchase price of any *Modernfold Doors* purchased in 1956 and used in their winning entries.

### John Oster Manufacturing Co.

*Addition Division Winners* in Class "A" will receive a *Cummins Maxaw, No. 737, Portable Electric Saw*.

*Kitchen-Utility Division Winners* in Class "A" will receive a *Model No. 403 Chrome Deluxe Osterizer*.

### Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corporation

*Winners in any of the sixteen Divisions* who use one or more of the seven listed *Fiberglas* materials will receive $100 for each *Fiberglas* product incorporated in their winning improvement. These products are: (1) *Reinforced Paneling*, (2) *Decorative Fabrics*, (3) *Screening*, (4) *Dust-Stop Air Filters*, (5) *Aerocor*, (6) *Building Insulation*, (7) Blowing Wool home insulation. The use of any of the above mentioned Fiberglas products in a mobile home constitutes eligibility for a $100 prize. If any of the 16 Division Winners has incorporated in his winning improvement an appliance, forced warm-air furnace or air-conditioner insulated with *Fiberglas*, he is eligible for a $100 award. Suitable evidence that *O-CF* products are used must be presented. Maximum potential award, $600 for each of the 16 Divisional Winners.

### Libbey Division of Owens-Illinois

*All Division Winners* will be presented with three *Libbey 8-piece Royal Fern* sets (goblets, sherbets, and coolers) by *Libbey*.

### Moe Light Division of Thomas Industries Inc.

Any of the sixteen *Division* $500 *Winners* who use either interior or exterior *Moe Light fixtures* in their winning entry will be refunded the retail purchase price upon presenting sales slip. (Does not include installation.)

### Pass & Seymour, Inc.
*Best-of-Contest Winners*

*First* prize winner will be refunded cost of *Roto-Glo switches, convenience outlets* and *wall plates* manufactured by *Pass and Seymour, Inc.*, including electrical contractor's charge for wiring necessary for their installation, but not including service entrance or special heavy duty circuits.

*Second and Third* prize winners will be refunded cost of *Pass & Seymour Roto-Glo switches, convenience outlets* and *wall plates* installed by electrical contractor, installation costs not included.

Winners must show receipted, itemized invoice from qualified electrical contractor.

### Perma-Stone Company

*Exterior Division Winners* using *Perma-Stone* in their winning entry will receive a refund of the entire purchase price of the *Perma-Stone* installation.

### Personal Products Corporation

*Qualifying Winners in all Divisions* will be presented with a *Jonny Mop* disposable toilet mop package containing 30 pads, china-white handle and dispenser by *Personal Products Corporation*.

### Quaker Rubber Division
*H. K. Porter Company, Inc.*

*Exterior Division Winners* will be refunded the product cost of any *Perma-Sprinkler* purchased in 1956 and used in the winning entry.

### The Reardon Company

*All Division Winners* who use either *Dramex Interior Finish, Ready Mixed Dramex, Bondex Cement Paint* or *Bondex Heavy Duty* in their winning entry will be refunded the full product purchase price. Winners must show suitable evidence of use of products mentioned.

### The Regina Corporation

*Interior-Division Winners* will be presented with a *Regina Electrikbroom. Kitchen-Utility Division Winners* will be presented with a *Regina Twin-Brush Polisher* and *Scrubber*.

### Republic Steel Kitchens

*Division Winners* in the *Kitchen-Utility Room Project Division* who use *Republic Steel Kitchen* products in their winning project will receive a refund of the product costs of those *Republic Steel Kitchen* products used. Winners must show suitable evidence of purchase price and use of *Republic Steel Kitchen* products in their winning entries.

### Revco, Incorporated

*First Prize Best-of-Contest Winner* whose winning entry is a kitchen project that uses 1956 *Revco Bilt-in refrigerator and/or freezer* will receive a refund of the purchase price and installation of the *Revco* products used.

*Kitchen-Utility Division Winners* will receive a refund of the purchase price of 1956 *Revco Bilt-in refrigerator and/or freezer* used in their winning project.

### Reynolds Metals Company

*Qualifying Winners in all Divisions* will receive a refund of the retail price of any *Reynolds Do-It-Yourself Aluminum* used in their winning home improvement project.

### Richmond Radiator Company

*Interior and Addition Division Winners* will be refunded the purchase price of any *Richmond Plumbing Fixtures* used in a prizewinning bathroom modernization project.

### Roddis Plywood Corporation

$500 in cash will be paid any *Division Winner* in the *Interiors, Additions*, or *Kitchen-Utility* categories if *Craftwall factory-finished paneling* is used, plus full purchase price of *Craftwall factory-finished* paneling will be refunded.

$1,000 in cash will be paid for *First Prize Winner* in "Best-of-Contest" category if *Craftwall factory-finished paneling* is used.

Any "*Best-of-Contest*" *Prize Winner* using *Craftwall factory-finished paneling* will receive a 5-day, all-expense-paid trip for two persons to America's vacationland in Northern Wisconsin, plus a trip through the modern *Roddiscraft* woodworking plant at Marshfield, Wisconsin, where *Craftwall factory-finished paneling* is manufactured.

### Rox Products Company

*Exterior Division Winners* who create designs on patios, walks, drives or other outside masonry surfaces with *Rox*, or paint masonry exterior walls with it will be refunded full purchase price of *Rox* used.

*Interior Division Winners* who used *Rox* on basement walls or floors will be refunded full purchase price of *Rox* used.

### The Ruberoid Co.

*All Division Winners* in the *Exterior* and *Addition Divisions* will receive a cash refund equal to the retail value of those *Ruberoid Asphalt* and *Asbestos Roofing Products* and *Ruberoid Asbestos Siding Materials* used in their winning entries. Winners must show suitable evidence of purchase price and of *Ruberoid* products in their winning entries. Refund will be based on normal retail cost of materials excluding cost of application.

### Samuel Stamping & Enameling Co.

*Kitchen-Utility Division Winners* whose winning project is a kitchen improvement and uses a 1956 *Suburban electric or gas built-in range* (oven and/or cook-top) will be refunded the product purchase price.

### A. O. Smith Corporation
*Permaglas Division*

*Qualifying winners in the Interior, Additions, and Kitchen-Utility Divisions* will receive a refund equal to the purchase price of a *Permaglas Water Heater* if purchased in 1956 and used in the winning entries.

### Stanley Tools
*Division of The Stanley Works*

*Best-of-Contest Winner* (*1st Prize*) will receive the "*Suburban*" set of 34 quality *Stanley Tools* in a handsome, knotty pine wall cabinet with Masonite pegboard back. Clips positioned on back hold most of the carefully selected *Stanley Tools*.

### The Tappan Stove Company

*Division Winners* in any of the four Classes who purchase a *Tappan Range* in 1956, will be refunded the full purchase price of that range.

### Thermador Electrical Manufacturing Company
*Division of Norris-Thermador Corporation*

*Kitchen-Utility Division Winner* in *Class "A"* whose winning entry is a kitchen project and who used a 1956 electric *Thermador Bilt-In Range* will receive the following *Thermador* electric products—"*Masterpiece*" *Bilt-In Oven, Bilt-In Cook Top with Griddle* and electric *Thermador Bilt-In Warming Drawer*. Winners must show suitable evidence of purchase and use of a *Thermador Bilt-In Range* in their project.

### Tilemaster Corporation

*All Division Winners* will be reimbursed for the cost of *Tilemaster plastic wall tile* products used in their winning entry plus *an equivalent amount in cash*. Winners must show suitable evidence that the products used were purchased in 1956.

### Toro Manufacturing Corp.

*First Prize Best-of-Contest Winner* will receive a choice of either a *Toro Power Handle* and two implement attachments or a complete *Toro 10-inch Deluxe Tilt-Arbor Saw*. Selection of the implement attachments for the *Toro Power Handle* must be made from these *Toro* attachments—*20" Rotary Mower, 21" Reel Type Mower, Garden Tiller, Edger-Trimmer, 17" Snow Hound, Power Sprayer, Power Pump or Generator*.

### Universal-Rundle Corporation

*Interior and Addition Division Winners* will receive a cash refund of the purchase price for any *Universal-Rundle Plumbing Fixtures* used in a winning entry.

### U. S. Plywood Corporation

*All Division Winners* will be reimbursed for the cost of *U. S. Plywood Weldwood* products used in their winning entry, plus an equivalent amount in cash. Winners must show suitable evidence that products used are *Weldwood*.

### Vornado Central Air Conditioning
*The O. A. Sutton Corp.*

*First Prize Winners* in the four classes of the *Interior Division* who have used *Vornado Central Air Conditioning units* in their prize winning entries will be refunded the product cost of the *Vornado* unit if purchased in 1956. Installation costs are excluded in refund price.

### Whirlpool-Seeger Corporation

*Kitchen-Utility Division Winners* will receive a refund of the purchase price of any *RCA Whirlpool* laundry equipment used in their prizewinning entry. Suitable evidence must be shown of the purchase and use of *RCA Whirlpool Home Laundry Equipment* in their projects.

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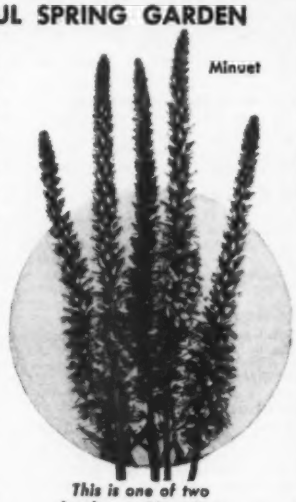


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**This bedroom** is typical of the two that face the terrace. Both rooms are privately placed away from the front of the house. This means they're wondrously open to the entire outdoor activity area. The sliding draperies close to give complete privacy when needed

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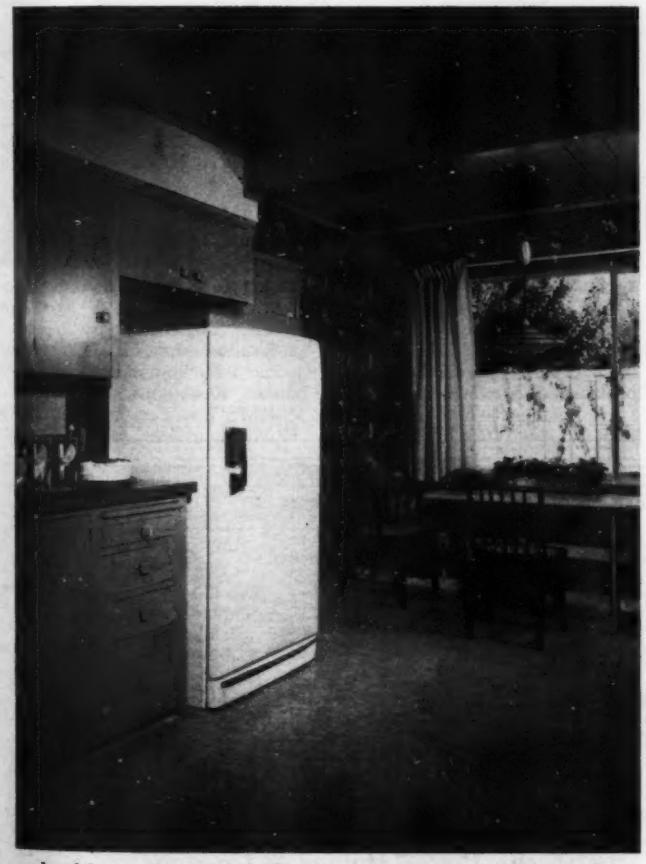

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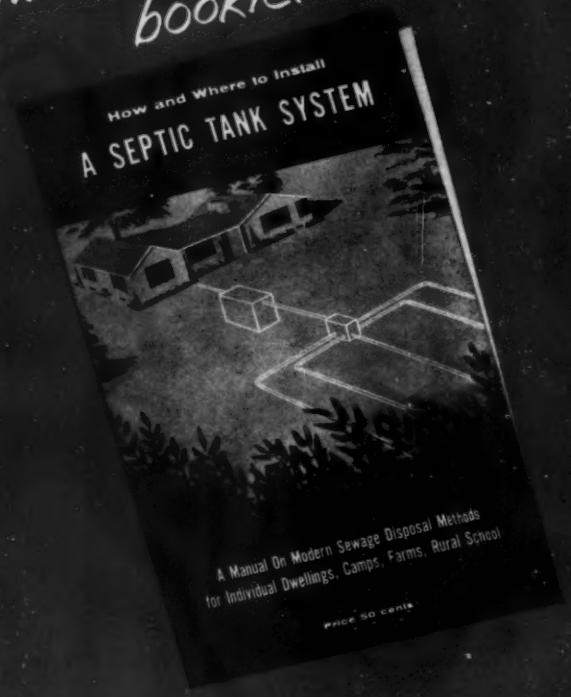


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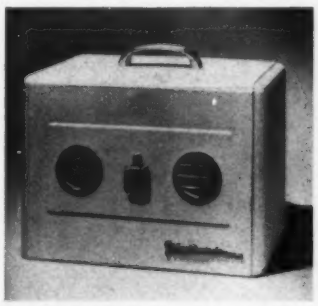

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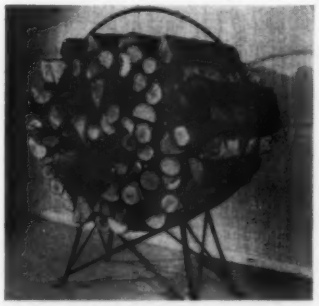

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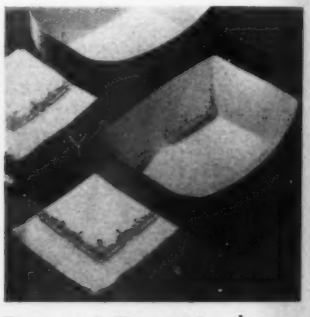

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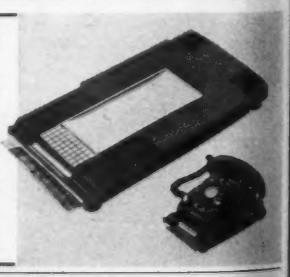



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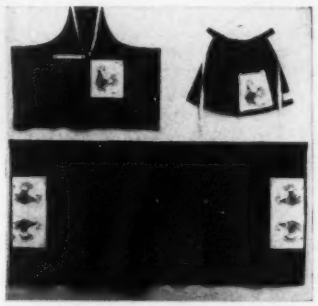

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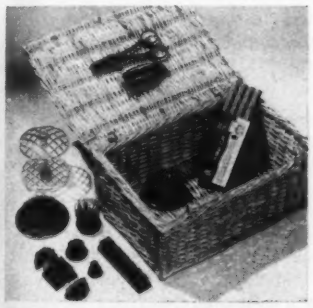

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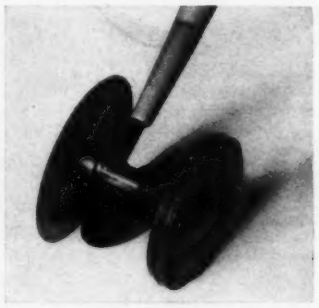

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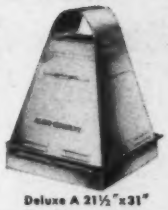

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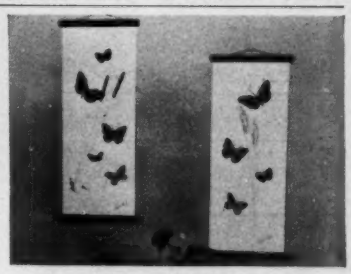

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## Mrs. Brown refused to sink

"KEEP rowing or I'll toss you all overboard!"

The threat came from a redhead in corset and bloomers, with a Colt .45 lashed to her waist. And as the lifeboat marked *S. S. Titanic* lurched ahead, she rowed too.

Mrs. Margaret Tobin Brown had come a long way to take charge of that lifeboat. Once penniless, she now had millions. Once spurned by society, she now hobnobbed with nobility.

But, she said, "You can't wear the social register for water wings." Her $60,000 chinchilla covered three children; her other outer garments she had given to elderly women. She threatened, sang opera, joked—and kept her boat going till rescue came.

When they asked her how she'd done it, she replied, "Typical Brown luck. I'm unsinkable." But it wasn't luck. It was pluck. And Americans have always had plenty of that smiling, hardy courage. It's one important reason why our country's Savings Bonds rank among the world's finest investments.

For 160 million determined Americans stand behind those Bonds.

The surest way to protect your security is through United States Savings Bonds. Invest in them regularly—and hold on to them.

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**It's actually easy to save money—when you buy United States Series E Savings Bonds through the automatic Payroll Savings Plan where you work! You just sign an application at your pay office; after that your saving is done *for* you. And the Bonds you receive will pay you interest at the rate of 3% per year, compounded semiannually, for as long as 19 years and 8 months! Sign up today!**

***Safe as America—U. S. Savings Bonds***

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## The diary of a plain dirt gardener

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**I put him to work out back of the bushes where the neighbors couldn't see, and I took over the front yard**

toward evening to mow the lawn—dressed in shorts. I put him to work out back of the bushes, where the neighbors couldn't see, and I took over the front yard with the other mower.

***July 30*** "It says here in this magazine that elderly people should not work out in the hot sun," said Maggie, as I came down the stairs, ready to sally forth.

"Get out," says I. "I'm not an elderly person." I looked at the thermometer. Sultry, too, with high humidity and no breeze stirring. There was good shade under that big maple tree by the garage. So the truth is I did only about a third as much work as yesterday.

*Note:* The Annual San Francisco Flower Show will be held August 23-24, at the City Hall, the same dates the Republican National Convention will meet in that city.

## New plan for privacy

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### *How to get your Five Star plans*

*Better Homes & Gardens* Five Star Home No. 2607 (about which you've just read) is one of a series of one- to four-bedroom homes published each month which make up our Five Star Home Plan Service. This service—through which you can purchase complete plans—includes the following features:

★ **Designs by America's foremost architects,** ranging in style from Cape Cod to Contemporary. And all are planned to give you the maximum in comfort, convenience, beauty, and *value* for your dollar.

★ **Detailed working drawings,** from which your builder will erect your home, are complete in every way. The cost is *$7.50 per set*, and includes . . .

★ **Complete specifications** that outline quality of materials and workmanship that will assure sound construction; and . . .

★ **Builder-owner agreement,** a suggested legal contract which will ensure that your home is built as specified.

★ **Cost-finding list of materials.** (List is available at *25 cents* purchased separately.) With this list, your builder or building-materials dealer can compute in advance the cost of your home.

These Five Star home plans may be ordered from the firms listed on page 144. In many localities, you can order these plans through your building-materials dealer. Or, you can buy them direct from *Better Homes & Gardens*, 1714 Locust Street, Des Moines 3, Iowa.

## Pest-free summer

*Begins on page 131*

**Trombone sprayers are dependable, sturdy, and easy to operate. They give excellent spray control.**

**Good ones are versatile, can be used for spraying trees as well as small flowers. The trombone type is practical for spraying any quantity of liquid from a gallon up.**

**Tank sprayers are the gardener's heavy artillery. They give steady stream of spray, provide plenty of pressure for the big shrubs.**

**If you mix less than a full tank, don't guess at the water you put in. Measure it as carefully as you measure the pesticide itself.**

**Protects . . . Beautifies!**

A lifetime Anchor Fence gives you the security of knowing that your children and pets are safely at play inside; that unwanted intruders and animals stay out.

Anchor Fence is attractive protection, too, providing a frame for your flower beds and a natural background for shrubs and vines. And Anchor needs no annual painting. Be sure to insist on Anchor—the fencing zinc-coated *after* weaving, not *before*.

For a free estimate on Anchor Fence for your home, call the office nearest you or write to: ANCHOR FENCE DIVISION, 7707 Eastern Ave., Baltimore 24, Maryland.

*"Permanent beauty for your home"*

**Anchor Fence®**

Division of ANCHOR POST PRODUCTS, Inc.

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**Stop his scratching misery**

Is your dog frantic from scratching? It's a sign of fleas or summer eczema. Stop his itching torture *quick*—with Sergeant's Scratch Powder. Kills fleas, ticks, lice. Checks fungus and doggy odor. 49¢ and 79¢ at any drug or pet counter.

**Sergeant's®**
**SCRATCH POWDER**

**KILL CRAB GRASS with SODAR®**

*try it and see!*

INSIST ON SODAR the Newest & Finest *Selective* Crab Grass Killer

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Will not injure most grasses incl. fine bents.

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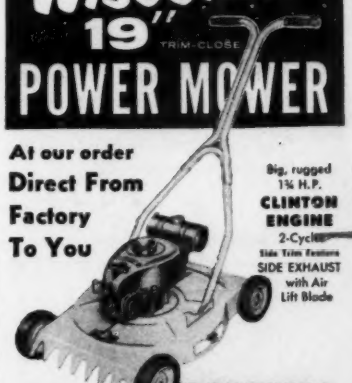

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# THE MAN NEXT DOOR®

My overworked nephew, a recent college graduate who has spent a strenuous summer swimming, boating, eating, and dancing, complained to me that bad luck prevented his getting a job and earning money. And I couldn't think of a forceful way to tell him what my dad once told me—that good luck is just a marriage between preparation and opportunity.

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**"Maybe it's just as well you men don't understand women," my astute Christine mused last night, after her club meeting. "Women do understand them, and very often don't like them."**

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***Almost any family man can tell you that the most inflammable kind of wood is a chip on the shoulder.***

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I must have read the seed catalog wrong back in March. The plots I planted in April and neglected in May and June now are lush with weed blossoms of florabunda inescapability.

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***As a scholar and philosopher of the old school—not to mention being a man of considerable experience—I am convinced that man's mastery of woman, like his mastery of nature, depends almost entirely on her willingness to be mastered.***

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**We parents must be eternally watchful at the pools and beaches; remember, our children have no fear of water unless it's soapy.**

The younger generation is going to do all right, I hold. Neighbor Clark's kids were ordered by their father to get rid of the old dog they had brought home and kept for 3 weeks. He gave them "until supper tonight" to do it, and they met the deadline easily. They traded the dog for two puppies and a kitten.

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***Bill Brown's daughter Betsy is going happily back for her junior year in college, with her student husband and a layette. "I can't figure how they'll support a baby," Bill groused last night. "I made careful study of the kids' income and expenses together last year, and my chart on them proves conclusively that they starved to death about Christmas."***

**Much close observation convinces me that high-school girls are creatures who not only subsist but seem to thrive on a regimen of hot fudge sundaes, pickles, bop records, telephone calls, and chewing gum.**

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***"It is now clear," snapped Grandmother Hillis, after hearing two politicians speak on TV last night, "that the world is made up of neutrons, electrons, protons, and morons."***

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Two of my preacher friends had a little quarrel the other day, but met later and decided to be friends. "Hereafter, let each of us do His work to the best of our ability," one suggested. "You in your way, and I in His."

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**"The opposite sex?" remarked Grandpa Hillis, out of Grandmother's hearing. "Until you marry one of 'em you don't know how opposite they can be!"**

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"Of course, we are always sure of death and taxes," mused mild-mannered Frederick Fell at our men's cookout, "but at least death doesn't get worse every time Congress meets."

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**Twice now I have seen the same expression on my almost-grown daughter's face: The day the principal handed her a high-school diploma, and the time that, insisting she had better let me back the car out of the garage for her, I splintered the doorframe with the left front bumper.**

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You'll have to forgive us if my Christine and I are a little puffed with pride. Four times this month friends have telephoned us invitations to dinner and added, "We don't want you unless you bring your children."

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***One reason America is great is that we drag our faults into the open for all to see and criticize and help correct. This same technique, I have found, is equally effective in building family success.***

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Your family's mental maturity is evident when—no member snaps at another in terms of "Why do you always?" or "Why don't you ever?" do thus and so . . . parents can listen to the pat opinions of youth without showing or even feeling a touch of sarcastic superiority . . . each older member is a willing, sympathetic listener to the troubles of any other member as need arises . . . nobody is "hurt" because some member forgets to say thank you or to give praise as often as might be . . . children automatically share with one another and with outsiders without being too concerned about "My share" . . . everybody believes and acts on the premise that constant happiness does not require constant entertainment.

Burton Hillis

**Just plain wonderful!** Our quick "7-minute" fluffy white frosting beats up into swirly, glistening peaks. And all you add is water!

"4 ways to enjoy our brand new

# ANGEL FLUFF FROSTING MIX!

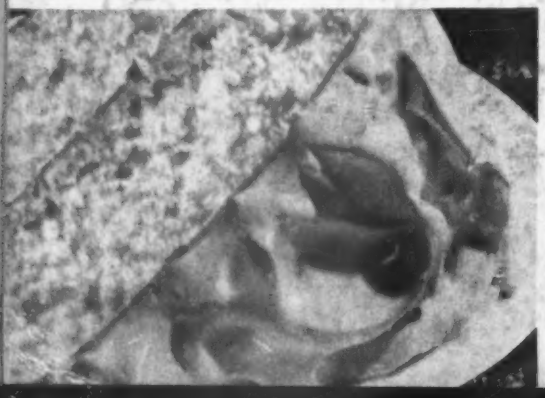
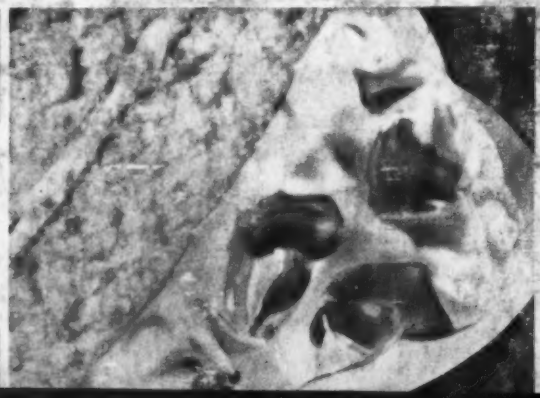
—it's 'lickin' good' and guaranteed perfect*!"

says Betty Crocker of General Mills

* PERFECT

Yes, all our Betty Crocker Mixes—Cake, Frosting, Brownies, Date Bars, Pie Crust, Answer Cake—are guaranteed to come out perfect, or send the box top to Betty Crocker, Box 209, Minneapolis, Minn., and General Mills will send your money back!

**Peppermint Pink!** Beat up fluffy white frosting, add drops of red food coloring and peppermint flavoring. Swirl your party-pink frosting on Betty Crocker White Cake. It's pretty!

**Marbled with Jelly!** Whip up new fluffy white frosting and frost your cake with it. Then swirl blobs of clear, soft jelly into surface of frosting. Try this trick on Betty Crocker Yellow Cake!

**Dotted with chipped chocolate!** trick! Beat up our fluffy white frosting add a cupful of chipped sweet Serve on Betty Crocker Chocolate Mu